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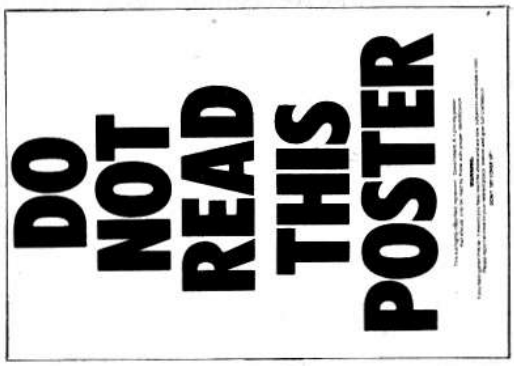
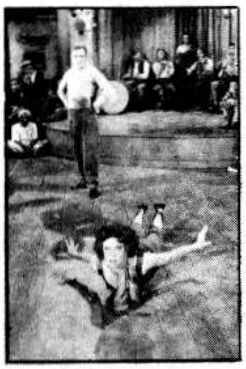
Someone once said, **"All good things must come to an end."** Well, apparently the television network executives believed that person. They have decided to cancel one of the finest shows in television history. **Goodbye M*A*S*H !** We'll miss you !





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Dear CRACKED,
My Uncle Eric, who really isn't my uncle but my father's good friend, told me he used to read CRACKED when he was a kid. Is he telling me one of his famous fibs or has CRACKED been around that long?

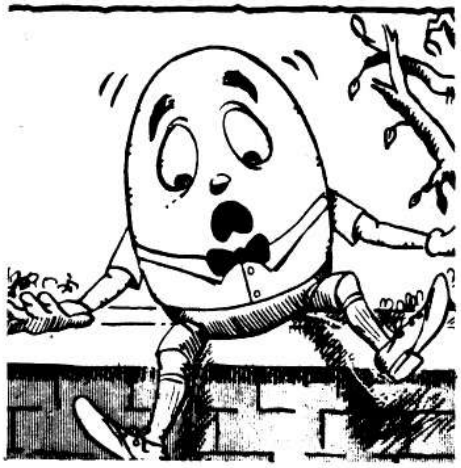
Chris Brooke
Ft. Washington, MD

Dear Chris,
I don't know how old your Uncle Eric is but CRACKED celebrated its twenty-fifth year in December. Happy Anniversary to us !

Dear CRACKED,
I liked your MOD FAIRY TALE. How about doing a MYTH next time?

George Fenton
Youngstown, Ohio

Dear George,
Thure, we'll athk the mithith if they'll write one for uth !



Dear CRACKED,
I walked into my neighborhood supermarket yesterday and I couldn't believe my eyes ! There, amongst a large display of magazines, was not one or two different CRACKED Magazines, but five different issues of CRACKED. I thought I had died and went to humor heaven. They had the March - Knight Rider issue, Monsters - Collectors' Edition, a Super CRACKED, Giant CRACKED and an Extra Special CRACKED. Guess what I did? I bought them all ! I also forgot to pick up what my mother sent me to get, but that turned out to be the best part. Mom made me stay in my room all night. I just sat and read CRACKED. I couldn't read all five of them, as a matter of fact I'm only half through the third one. I hope I get punished after school today too, so I can read the rest.

Tony (Torch) Debimbo
Englewood, NJ

Dear Tony,
The supermarket must have sold out of our King-Sized CRACKED. Hey, come on Torch. Be nice to your mother, let her read them too !

Dear CRACKED,
Remember that guy who got lost and forgot his name in the March issue of CRACKED? Well, I found him, but I don't remember where and we're both lost now. And, hey, I forgot my name too. Boy this is scary.

We don't know who
We don't know where

Dear WDKW,
What March issue of WHAT?

Dear Weirdos,
Don't you think you've overdone it on the recent strikes that football and baseball have had? I mean two articles in one magazine ! Why don't you leave us athletes alone?

Bobby Sanchez, Jr.
Seminole, FL

Dear Bobby,
No, we don't think we've done enough, as you're sure to see when you turn to page 28.

Dear CRACKED,
Thanks for the "Night Rider" article in your March edition. My friends and I love the show but we were frustrated because we couldn't find any articles about it. Naturally CRACKED saved the day ! Thanks again for filling a void.

John Simpson
Akron, Ohio

Dear John,
We are truly glad we could help. CRACKED is always trying to fill a void !

"FILLING A VOID."

Dear CRACKED,
How about an article satirizing the life of Joe Michaels. I think it would be great fun and believe lots of people would be able to identify with it.

Joe Michaels
Prescott, Arizona

Dear Joe,
Especially if they happen to be Joe Michaels.

Dear CRACKED,
With all the regular issues, collectors editions and specials you turn out every year, CRACKED must have dozens of people working in its offices.

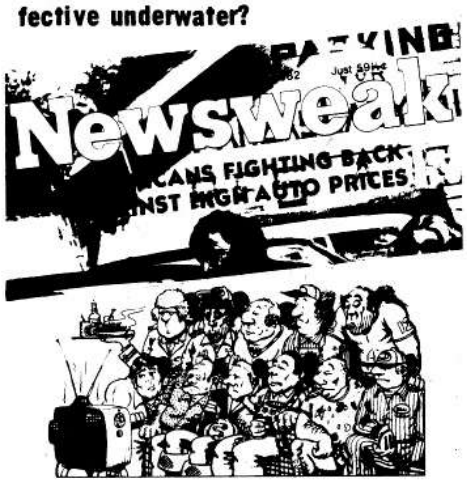
Janice Nissan
Toronto, Canada

Dear Janice,
We do have dozens of people in our offices, but as to the actual number WORKING at any one time, well your guess is as good as ours.

Dear CRACKED,
CRACKED was an even bigger bargain last issue than usual because, not only did we get CRACKED, but we also got issues of NEWSWEAK and $TRIKES ILLUSTRATED. I mean, humor, news and sports all for only $1. What else could a guy ask for?

John Thorn
Buffalo, NY

Dear John,
How about a deodorant that's effective underwater?



Dear CRACKED,
Mu tupwrotar es brickan ot's mistly jyst tha viwels. Thay git moxad yp. Tha e, a, o, i, y end simatomas u. O hipa uiy yndarstend thos lattar. O jyst wentad ti tall uiy o liva raedong CRECKAD megeyonas end O woll elweys ba e fen if thos graet pyblicetoin.

Kavon Smoth
Naw Uirk, NU

Dear CRACKED,
My brother and I usually fight over who'll get to read the new copy of CRACKED first that our mother buys for us each month. Well, this time she couldn't take the arguing, so, to shut us up, she ripped the issue in half. The magazine was still really good, although I never learned how any of the articles ended since I received the top half of the issue. I guess there's a moral story in there somewhere.

Glen Tymons
Green Bay, Wisconsin

Dear Glen,
Indeed. Never argue with your brother over a carton of milk because if you get the top on that decision, your half will fall out all over the floor.

Dear Sirs,
Please note that this letter serves as a summons, citing CRACKED for multiple infractions of our group's "code of responsible behavior". We the Serious Citizens Against Todays Humor have found every issue of your magazine funny, and we don't think it is good for some people to laugh when others go hungry.

Jonathan T. Thomas
Executive President - S.C.A.T.H.
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Jonathan,
Our condolences to you and your group. Like we've always said, "When You're CRACKED You're Happy !"

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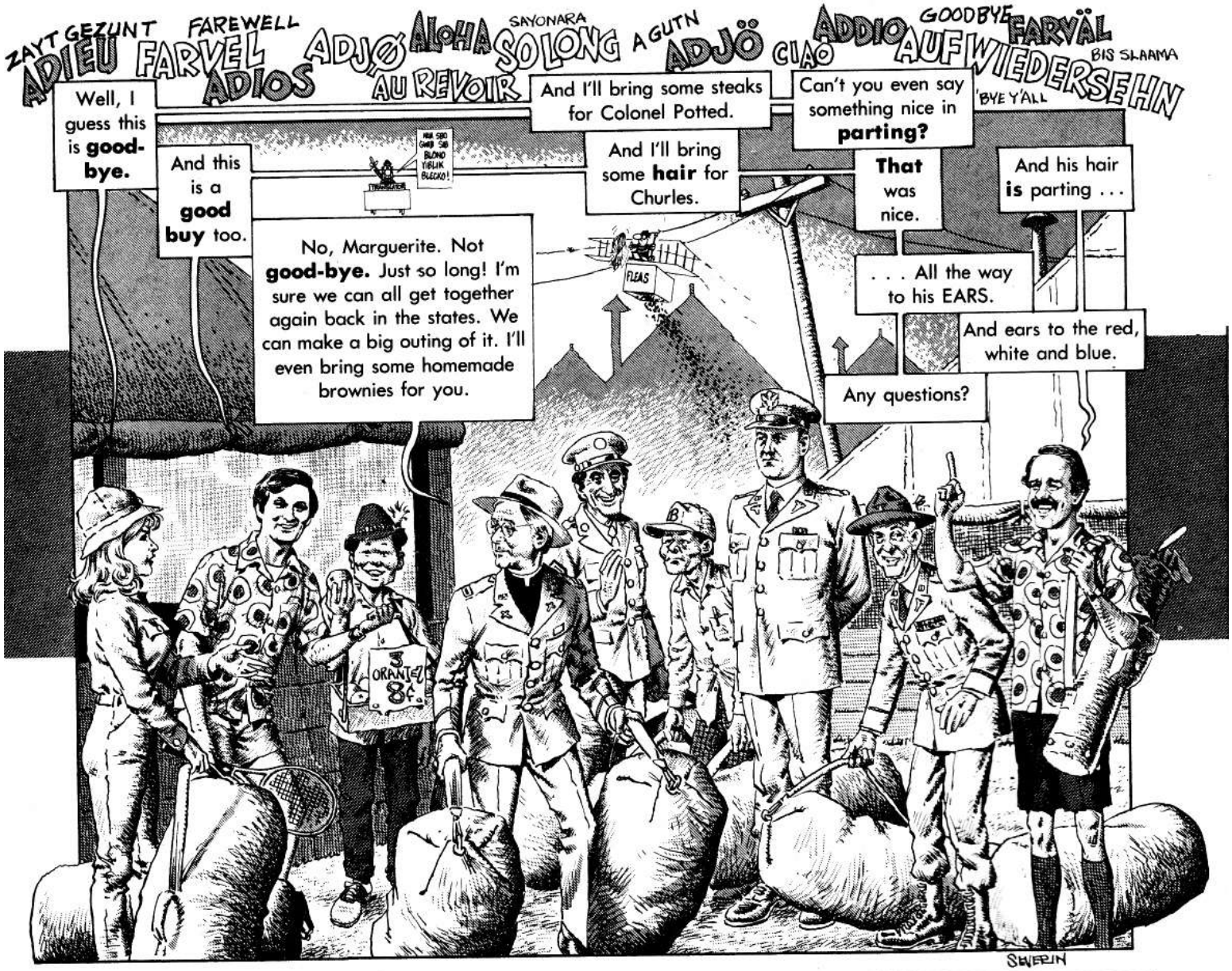
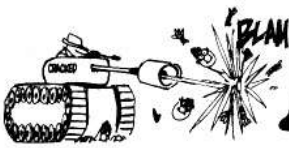


What's this? Good-byes? Yup! As nearly everyone knows by now, one of America's longest running shows is calling it quits and, depending on when you're reading this, either the last two-hour episode has already been aired or, brace your tear ducts, it'll be coming soon. Well, we couldn't let such a good show pass without sticking our two cents in and showing you what we think the characters were doing before the final scene above took place. So join us now as we pay our respects and bid a fond

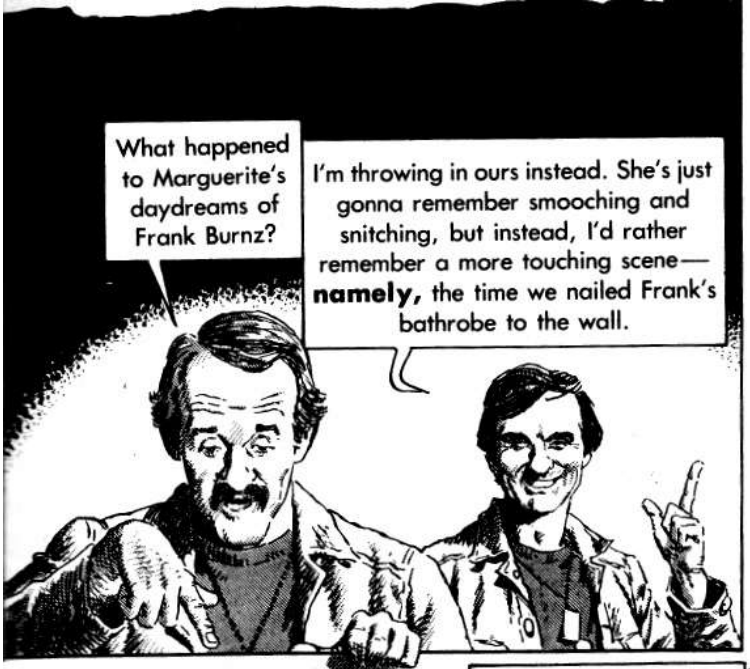


Farewell M*A*S*H*E*D

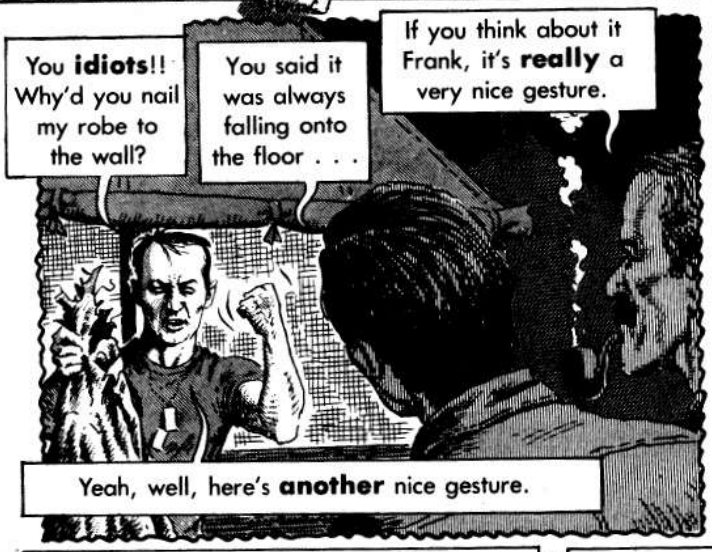
A Cracked Remembrance

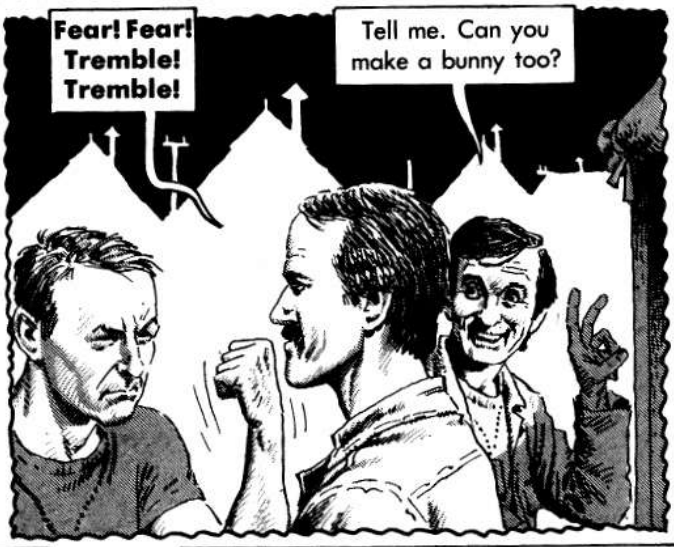
Yup, it's **official** all right, Squawkeye. The orders from the high command are on my desk.
Two coffees . . . one raisin toast . . . a prune danish. They **certainly** want a **lot** from us.
Not **those** orders. They're for breakfast tomorrow.
THESE orders.
I can't believe it! The war is over and we're going home.
Well, I suppose it **had** to end.
Why? We've been on the air **9 years** while the actual war only lasted **2.**
That means the enemy left **7** years ago. WHO'VE we been fighting all these years?
THEM!!!
Here's your costume and you're gonna have to get your eyes made up if you wanna be a North Korean soldier.
WARDROBE
Why sure, ma'am. I'll just mosey on over to make-up.
I suppose you heard we're leaving the air Hot Tips.
I did. And, as I was packing, I came across **this.**
My gosh! The home movie we made as a joke on you.
Only it **backfired** if you recall.
I don't think I remember that.
How can you be so sure?
You will!
See those wavy lines around this panel? That means we're **flashing back** with a remembrance.
Attention everyone! Tonight's movie "Godzilla And The Smog Monster Go To Hawaii" didn't get in from the states on time and won't be shown.
Darn! And I wanted to see what all the critics were raving about.
However, instead, we've got a film that P.J.'s and I made that I think you're gonna like even more . . . "Marguerite Hulahoop Takes A Shower".
WHAT!!?
Why **you** little . . .
Yes, once again, our hidden camera was hard at work.
Now calm down. Not even WE'VE seen the final print yet, so we can all enjoy it for the first time together.
KLIK!

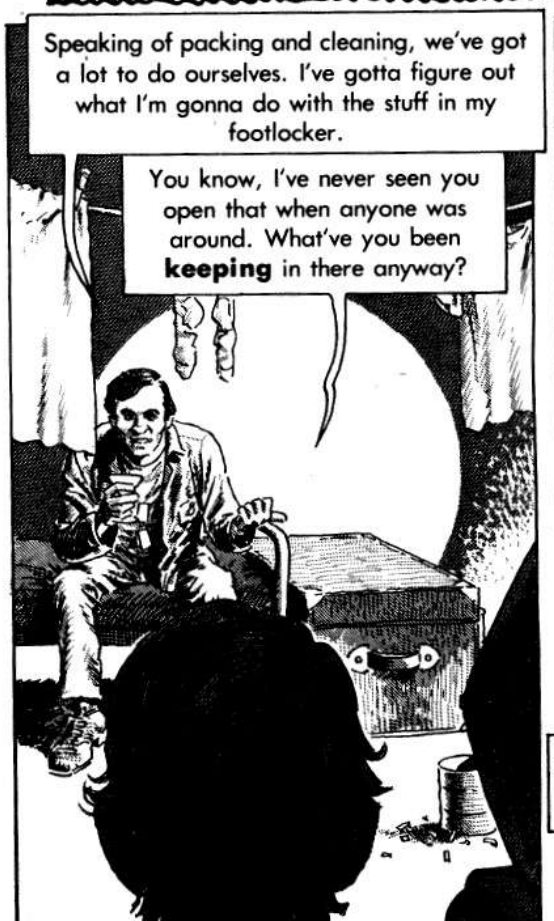
There she goes, off to make herself clean.
Wave as you go in . . . atta girl Marguerite. And now, the hidden camera in action.
What!!? You **knew**?
Do you think I was born yesterday?
Of course not. You're **too** big! Your mother would have gotten a hernia picking you up from your crib!!
DANG!
SHUCKS!
NUTS
GEE WHIZ!
FOO
You really **knew** we were there?
You think I **always** showered with a full wet suit on?
Could be. There's **enough** horror in this war-torn country already.
Now be nice. We **are** leaving.
Speaking of leaving, why **don't** you? I want to finish packing.
Oh, come off it. You just want to reminisce about Frank Burnz.
I do NOT!
Oh no?
Then **why** are the lines surrounding this panel getting all wavy?
I must have spilled a bottle of **home permanent** on them.
PBS


What happened to Marguerite's daydreams of Frank Burnz?
I'm throwing in ours instead. She's just gonna remember smooching and snitching, but instead, I'd rather remember a more touching scene— **namely,** the time we nailed Frank's bathrobe to the wall.

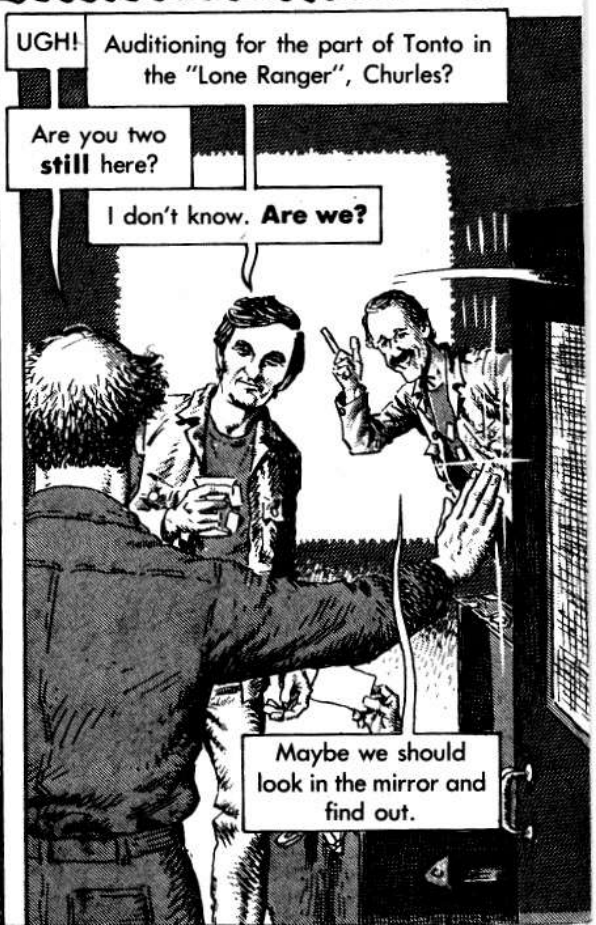
FIRE!! Everyone up and out of the tent! FIRE!!
My gosh! **Where's** my bathrobe?

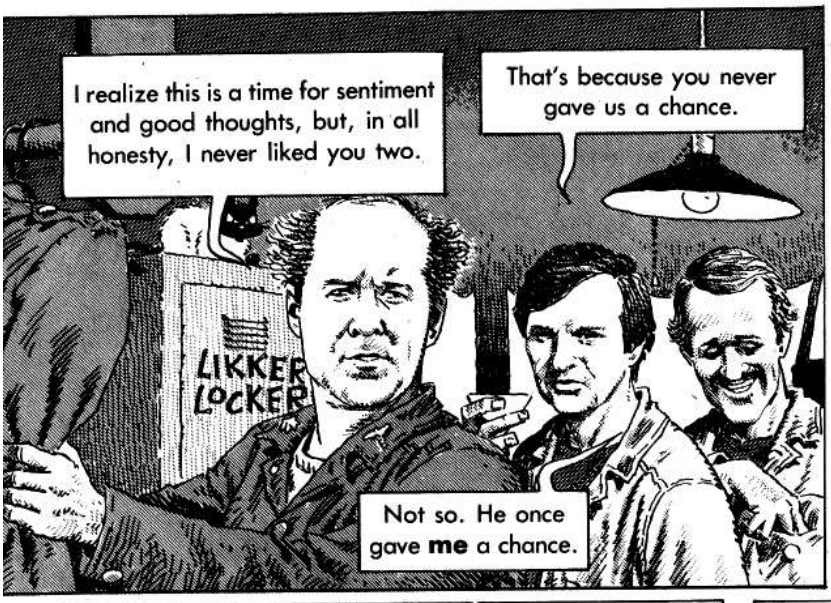

You **idiots**!! Why'd you nail my robe to the wall?
You said it was always falling onto the floor . . .
If you think about it Frank, it's **really** a very nice gesture.
Yeah, well, here's **another** nice gesture.

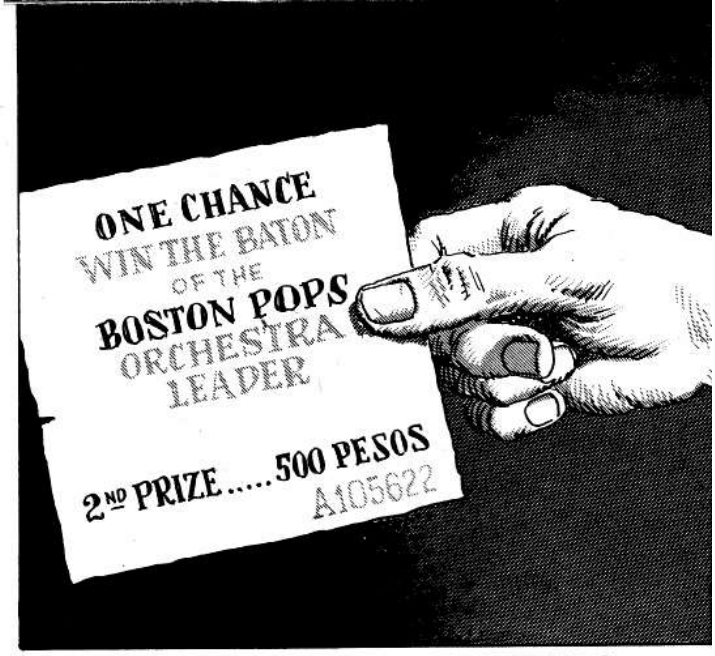

Fear! Fear! Tremble! Tremble!
Tell me. Can you make a bunny too?


Speaking of packing and cleaning, we've got a lot to do ourselves. I've gotta figure out what I'm gonna do with the stuff in my footlocker.
You know, I've never seen you open that when anyone was around. What've you been **keeping** in there anyway?

Two writers.
No wonder you always had so many good one-liners.


UGH!
Auditioning for the part of Tonto in the "Lone Ranger", Churles?
Are you two **still** here?
I don't know. **Are we?**
Maybe we should look in the mirror and find out.


I realize this is a time for sentiment and good thoughts, but, in all honesty, I never liked you two.
That's because you never gave us a chance.
LIKKER LOCKER
Not so. He once gave **me** a chance.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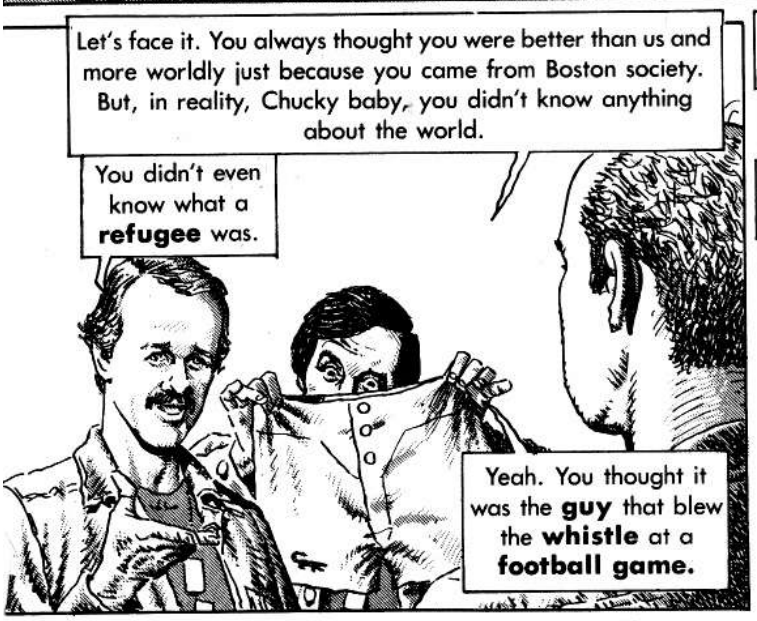
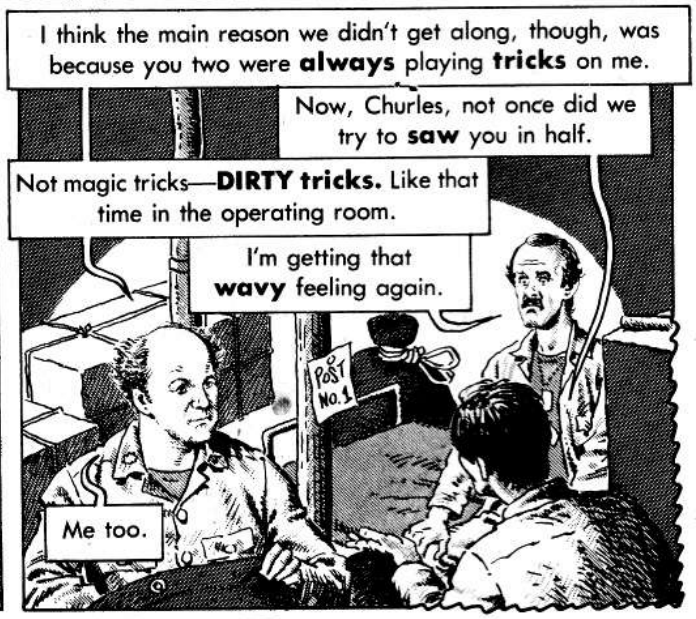
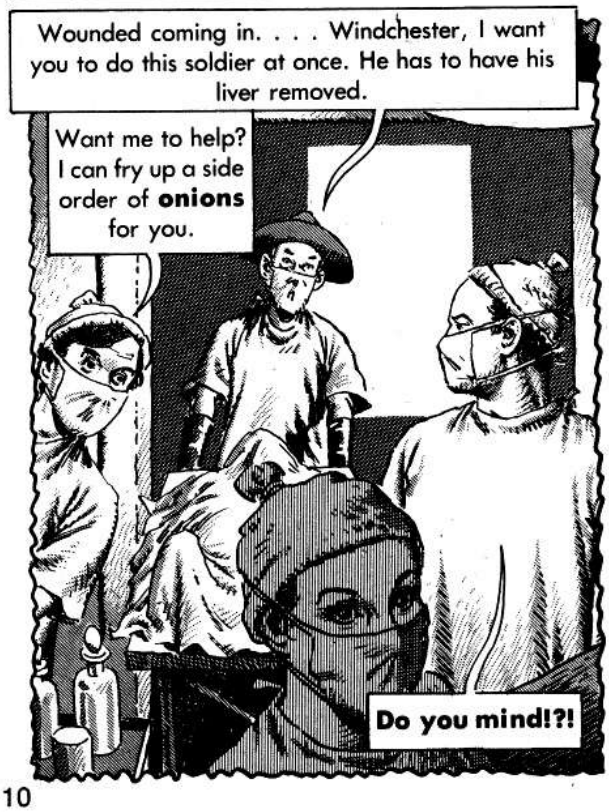

Let's face it. You always thought you were better than us and more worldly just because you came from Boston society. But, in reality, Chucky baby, you didn't know anything about the world.
You didn't even know what a **refugee** was.
Yeah. You thought it was the **guy** that blew the **whistle** at a **football game.**

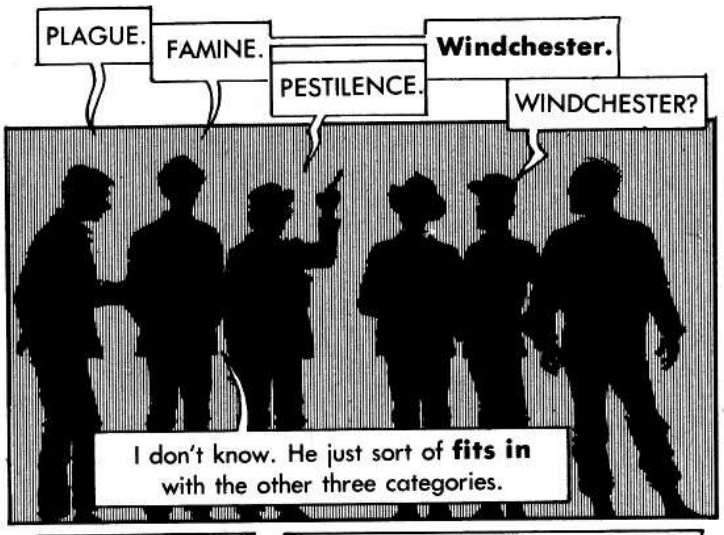

I think the main reason we didn't get along, though, was because you two were **always** playing **tricks** on me.
Now, Churles, not once did we try to **saw** you in half.
Not magic tricks—**DIRTY tricks.** Like that time in the operating room.
I'm getting that **wavy** feeling again.
Post No. 1
Me too.

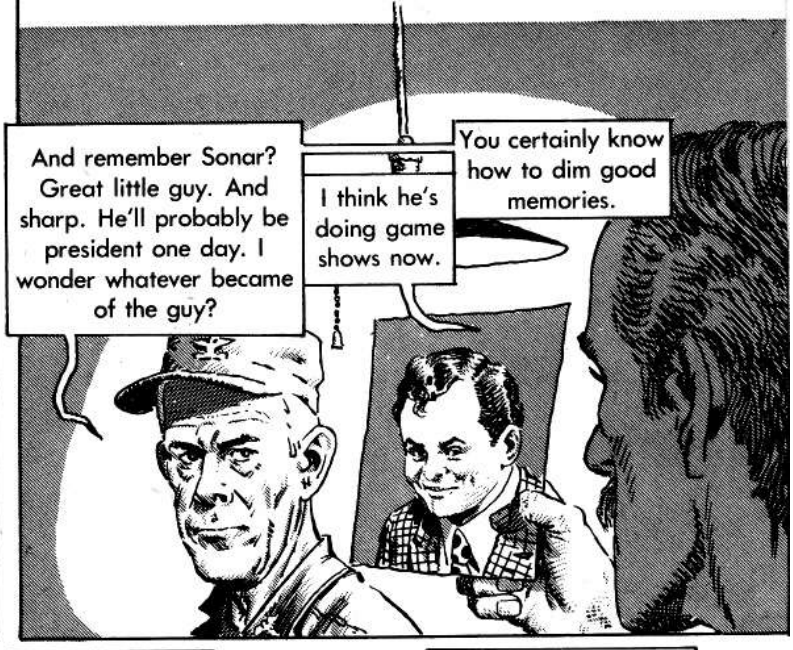

Wounded coming in. . . . Windchester, I want you to do this soldier at once. He has to have his liver removed.
Want me to help? I can fry up a side order of **onions** for you.
Do you mind!?!

Nurse, hand me that scalpel. I have to make an incision at once.

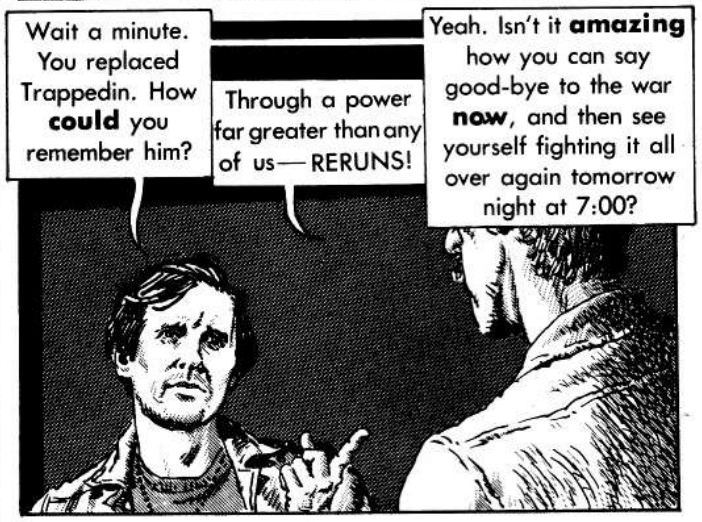
POOP

In retrospect, I have only one thing to ask— did the patient **live?**
Very funny.
Stop goofing on Churles. He has to finish packing so he can get home and resume his career.
True. By the way, how has your father's butcher shop been doing without you?
I'm not even going to dignify that remark with an answer.
Ah. I thought I'd find you here. I had a few things I thought you could use.
You know Churles doesn't look good in blue.
They're not for him. They're for P.J.'s wife Pegleg. I won't be needing them anymore.
I've got to hand it to you, Klingon, you certainly knew how to drag out a single gag.
Made it go on for over 6 years too. Plus there was an **added** bonus.
What was **that?**
SQUIRT
I made the **cover** of **Vogue** in '81.
VOGUE
May I pop in?
Certainly, Father. Been cleaning out your tent?
Indeed.
What are you doing with all that material?
Have you **forgotten,** P.J.'s? I am a **man** of the **cloth.**
Well, you performed your share of miracles for us.
You mean by keeping all of us from being wounded?
No, by keeping all of us in the NIELSON TOP TEN for **nine years.**
This looks like a **convention** rather than a packing.
We were all just taking some time out to remember.
What? Where you left your **whoopie cushion**? It's right here.
No, Colonel. Remembering all the good things that we've seen here like . . .

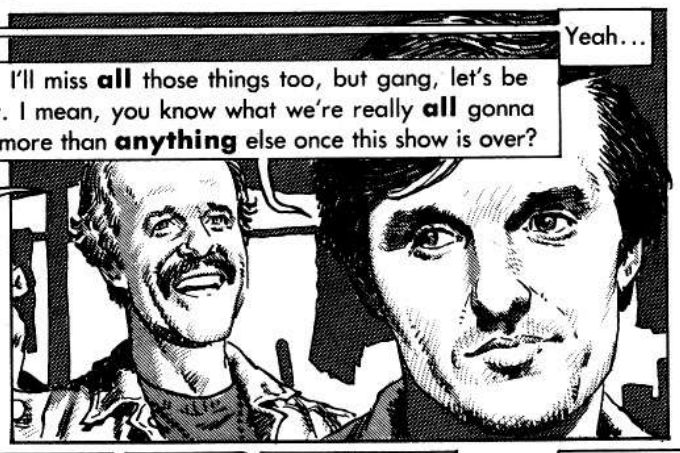

PLAGUE.
FAMINE.
PESTILENCE.
Windchester.
WINDCHESTER?
I don't know. He just sort of **fits in** with the other three categories.

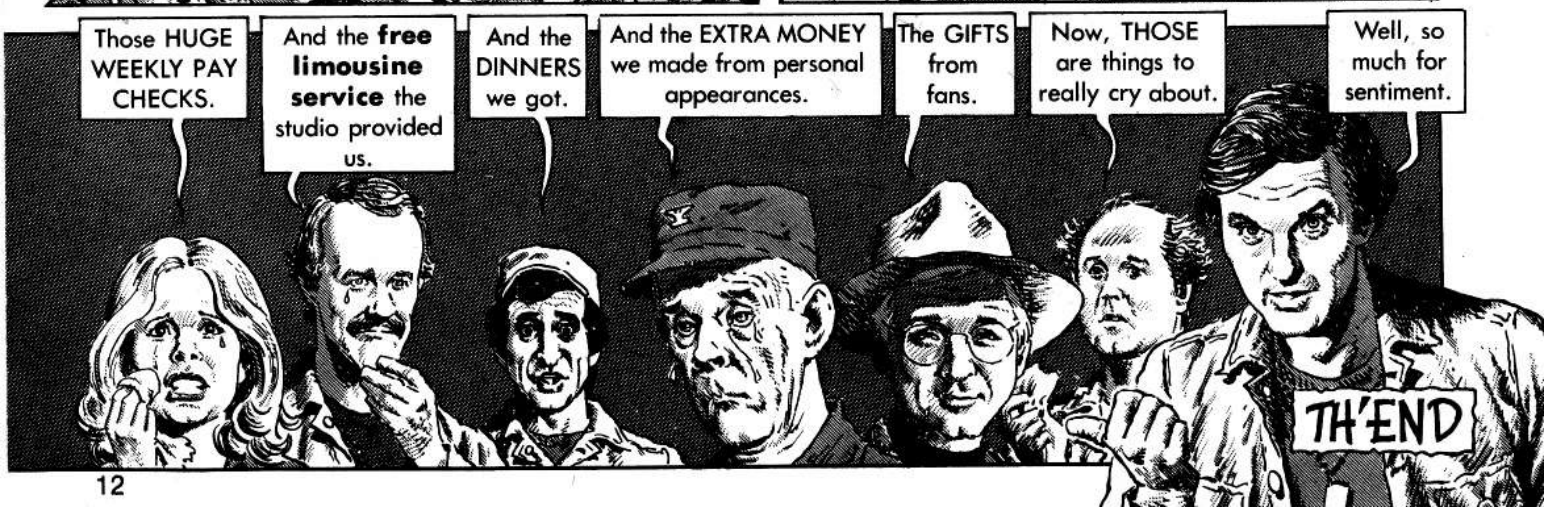

And remember Sonar? Great little guy. And sharp. He'll probably be president one day. I wonder whatever became of the guy?
I think he's doing game shows now.
You certainly know how to dim good memories.

And remember Trappedin Thejohn?
Yeah, I **remember** Trappedin— only he never used to move that stiffly.


Wait a minute. You replaced Trappedin. How **could** you remember him?
Through a power far greater than any of us— RERUNS!
Yeah. Isn't it **amazing** how you can say good-bye to the war **now**, and then see yourself fighting it all over again tomorrow night at 7:00?

Well, that's just about **it** for **this** series.
I think I'm gonna cry. I'll really **miss** this tent.
And I'll **miss** these gowns.
And I'll **miss** this war.

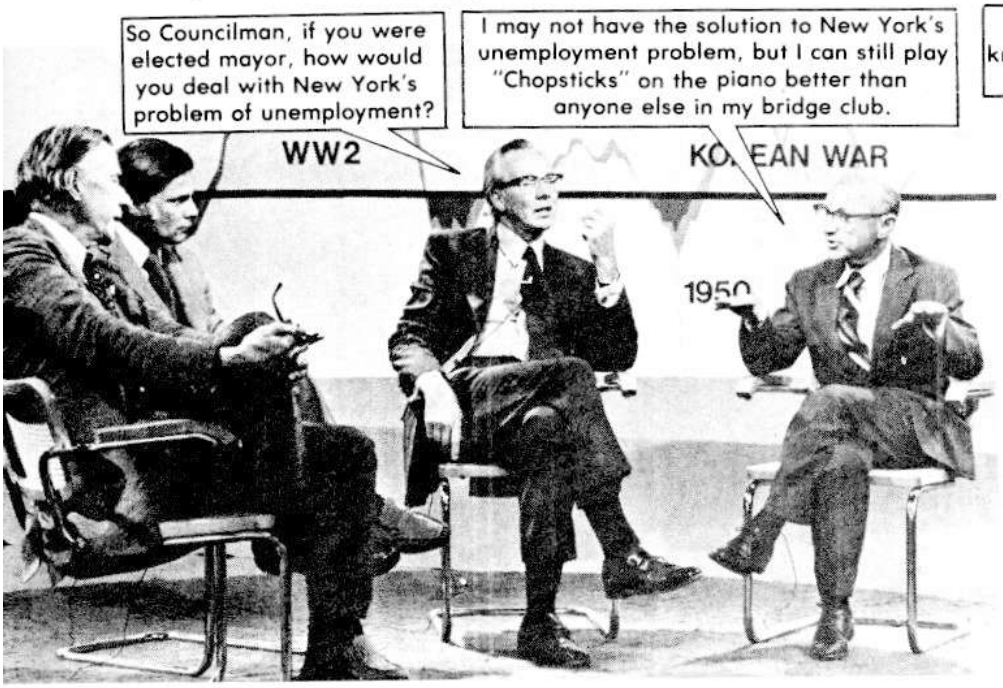

Yeah...
Yeah, I'll miss **all** those things too, but gang, let's be honest. I mean, you know what we're really **all** gonna **miss** more than **anything** else once this show is over?


Those HUGE WEEKLY PAY CHECKS.
And the **free limousine service** the studio provided us.
And the DINNERS we got.
And the EXTRA MONEY we made from personal appearances.
The GIFTS from fans.
Now, THOSE are things to really cry about.
Well, so much for sentiment.
TH'END

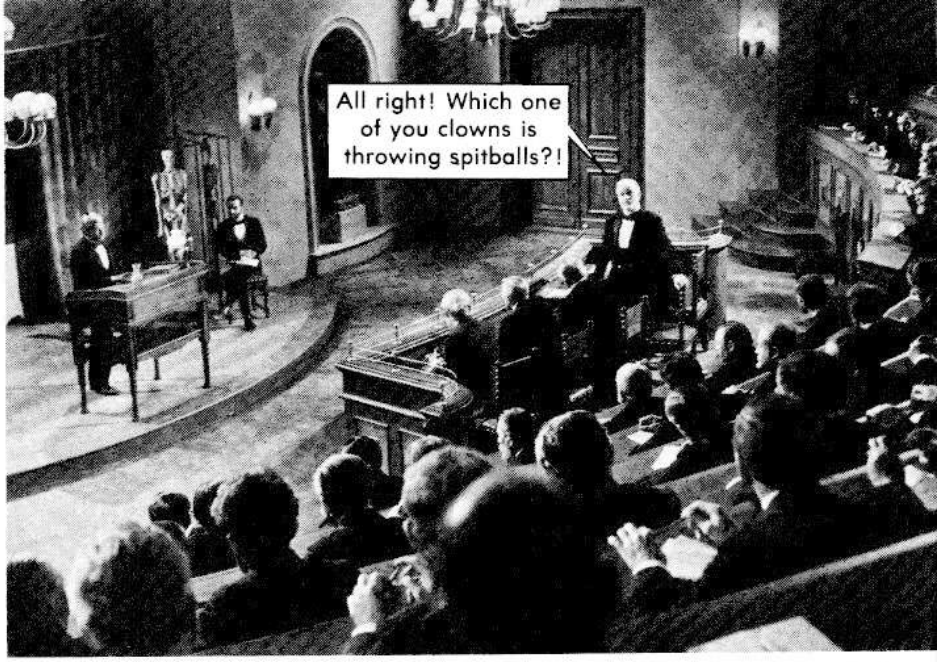
ABSOLUTELY, UNQUESTIONABLY, POSITIVELY, UNDENIABLY, THE VERY, VERY, LAST OF

THE CRACKED LENS

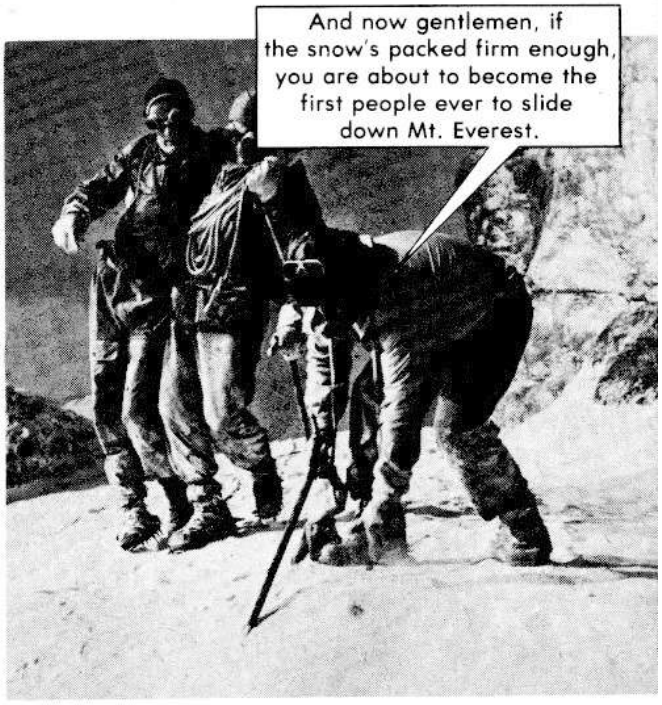
(and we really, really mean it this time, for sure!) Part XIX



Hey! Forget the crummy crackers! How about a bagel for a change?!

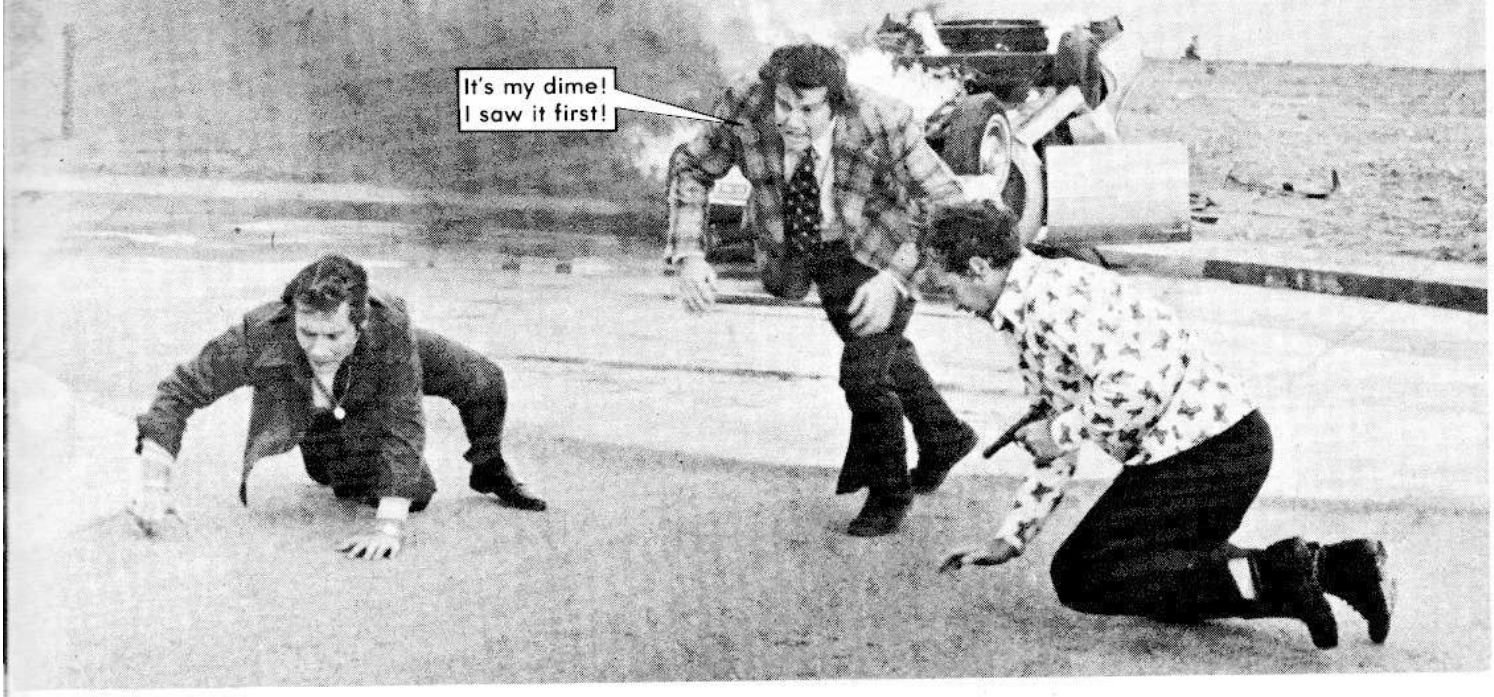

All right! Which one of you clowns is throwing spitballs?!

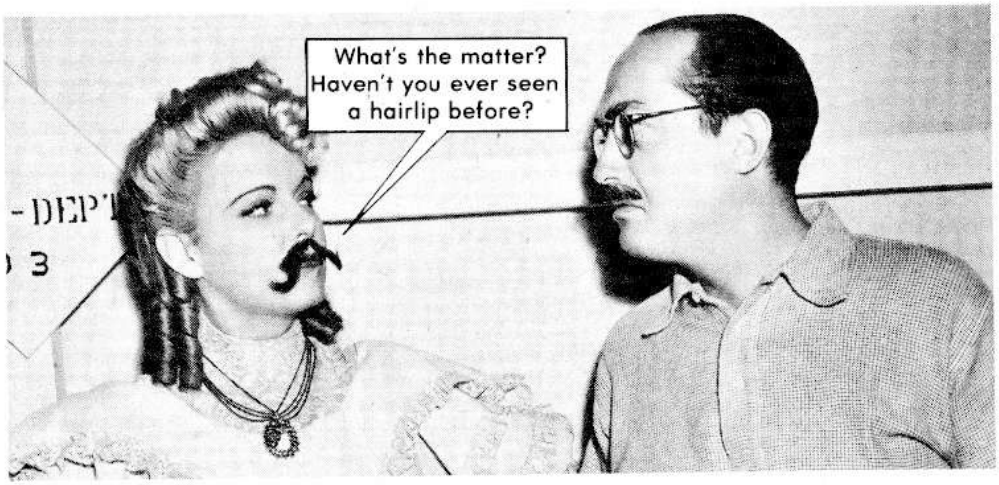
And my next guest certainly needs no introduction... 'cause chances are you won't wanna remember his name anyway...


And now gentlemen, if the snow's packed firm enough, you are about to become the first people ever to slide down Mt. Everest.

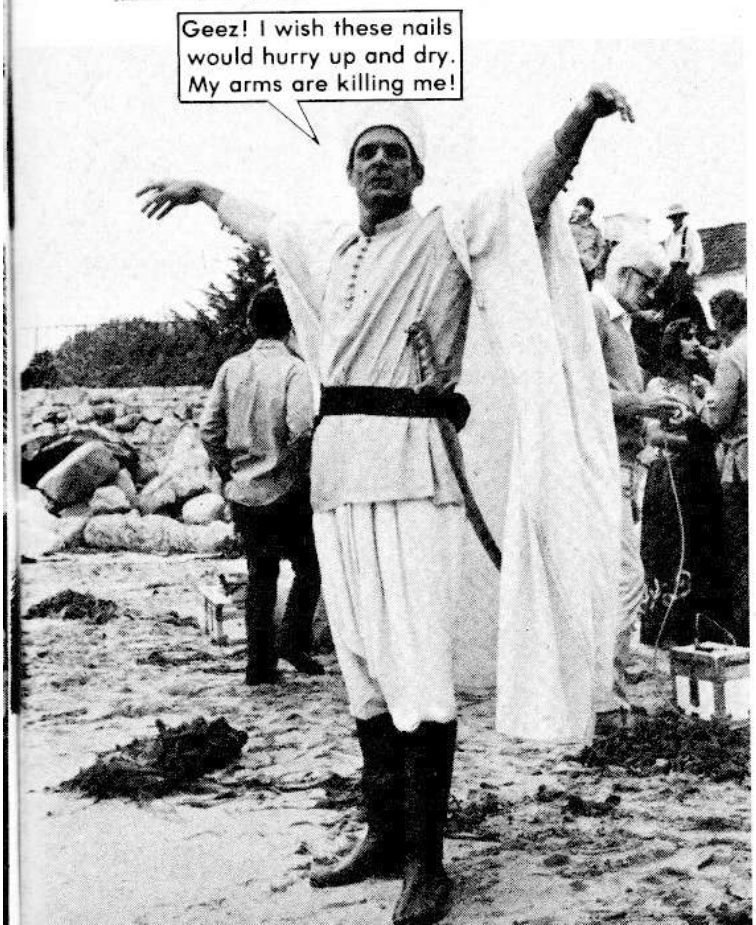
I told you Stan, no more Burger Bits till you learn to roll over and play dead.

Now folks, if you don't mind, I'd like to do a flying double cartwheel over your table.


It's my dime!
I saw it first!


What's the matter?
Haven't you ever seen
a hairlip before?

Well! I'm glad to
see our audience
is having such a
lively time!


Geez! I wish these nails
would hurry up and dry.
My arms are killing me!

??? ??? HOW

How come when you're going steady, all the guys want to go out with you, but as soon as you're free, you can't get a date?

How come your mother makes you wear a sweater when *she's* cold?

How come no one's ever invented an "adult-proof" bottle cap?

How come people are so scared of sharks, when more people eat sharks than sharks eat people?

How come you're too old to play with your brother's Hot Wheels, but too young to drive your dad's car?

How come band-aids don't come in different colors for the different races?

COME??????

How come nail polish chips off your nails in two days, but if you spill it on your clothes it's forever?

How come when someone asks how you're doing, you always say, "fine"?

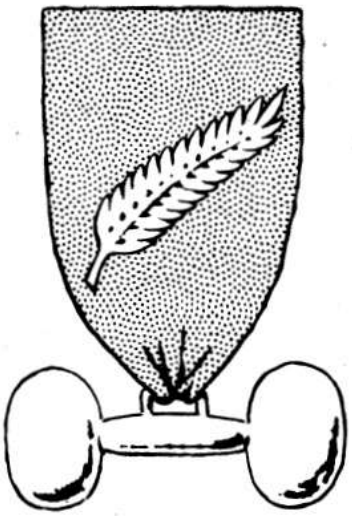
How come you hate to jump in a pool because the water's too cold, then you hate to come out because the air's too cold?

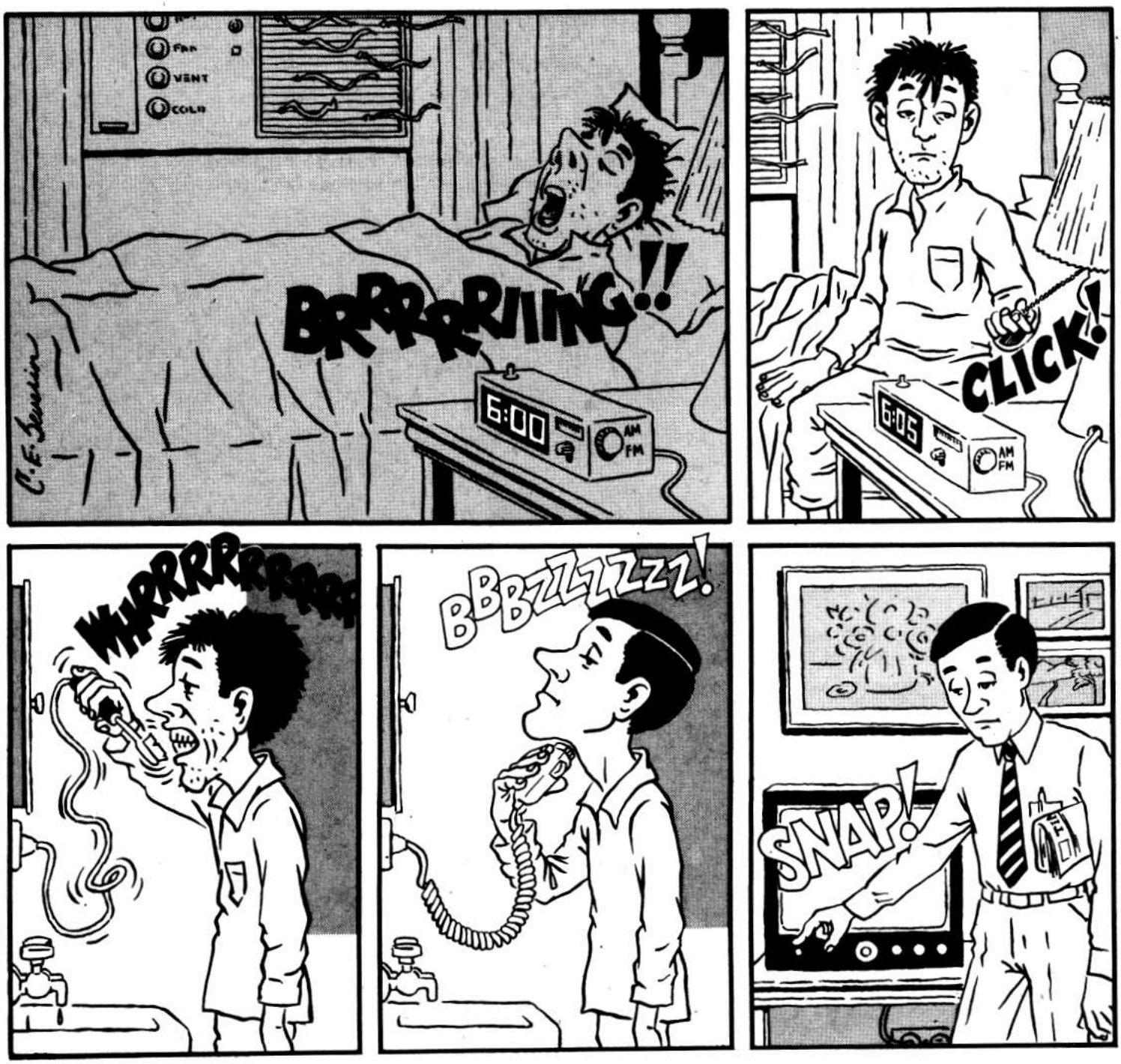
How come a bag of potato chips is impossible to open, and even more impossible to close back up?

How come your house is worth $50,000 more than when you bought it ten years ago, and it's started to fall apart since then?

How come if you're supposed to be so smart, you're reading this magazine?

CRACKED'S EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH AWARD



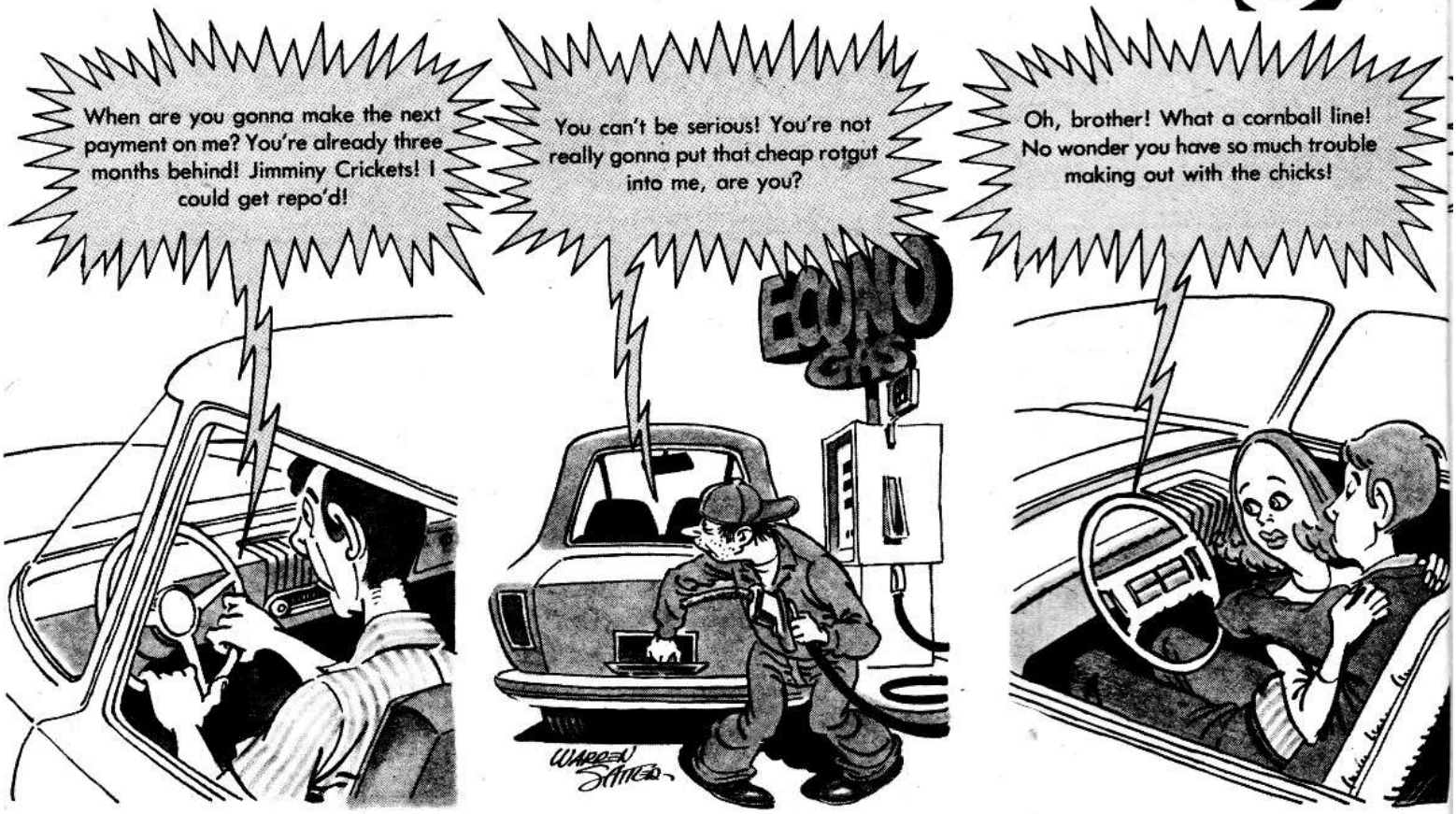


FRIGIDAIRE
SUGAR
TEA
MMMMMMMMMMMM!
PING!
UUURRRR!
BUS STOP
PARKING FOR EMPLOYEES ONLY
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY CONSERVATION
TH'END

CHATTY CHARIOTS SECTION

General Motors and Ford have announced that some of this year's cars will have voice computers. The cars will convey messages like warning the driver when there's something wrong with the vehicle. CRACKED shows us what to expect when we have . . .

Talking

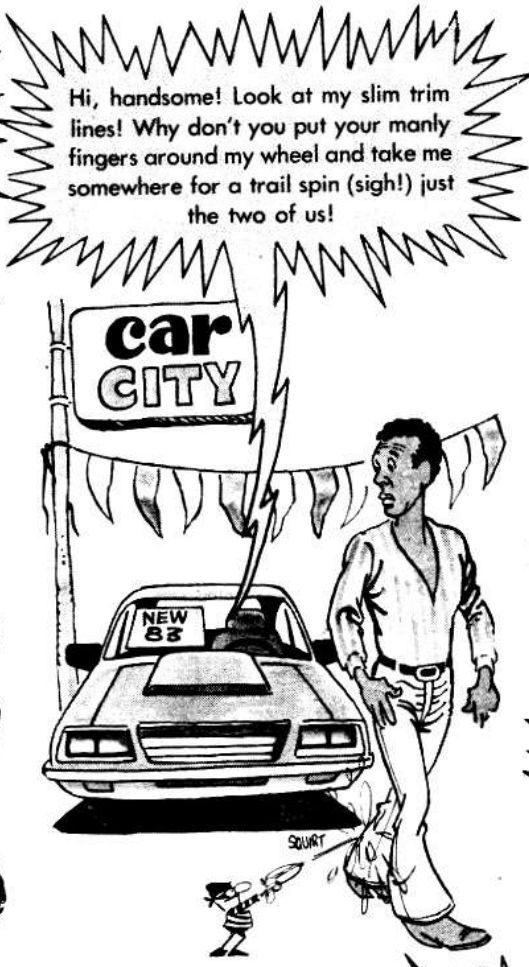


Cars

TAXI
BUT WAIT FOR ME!!!

ACE CAR WASH
OH SOLO MIO
Singing in THE RAIN

Gulp! Give it to me straight! How much longer have I got to live?

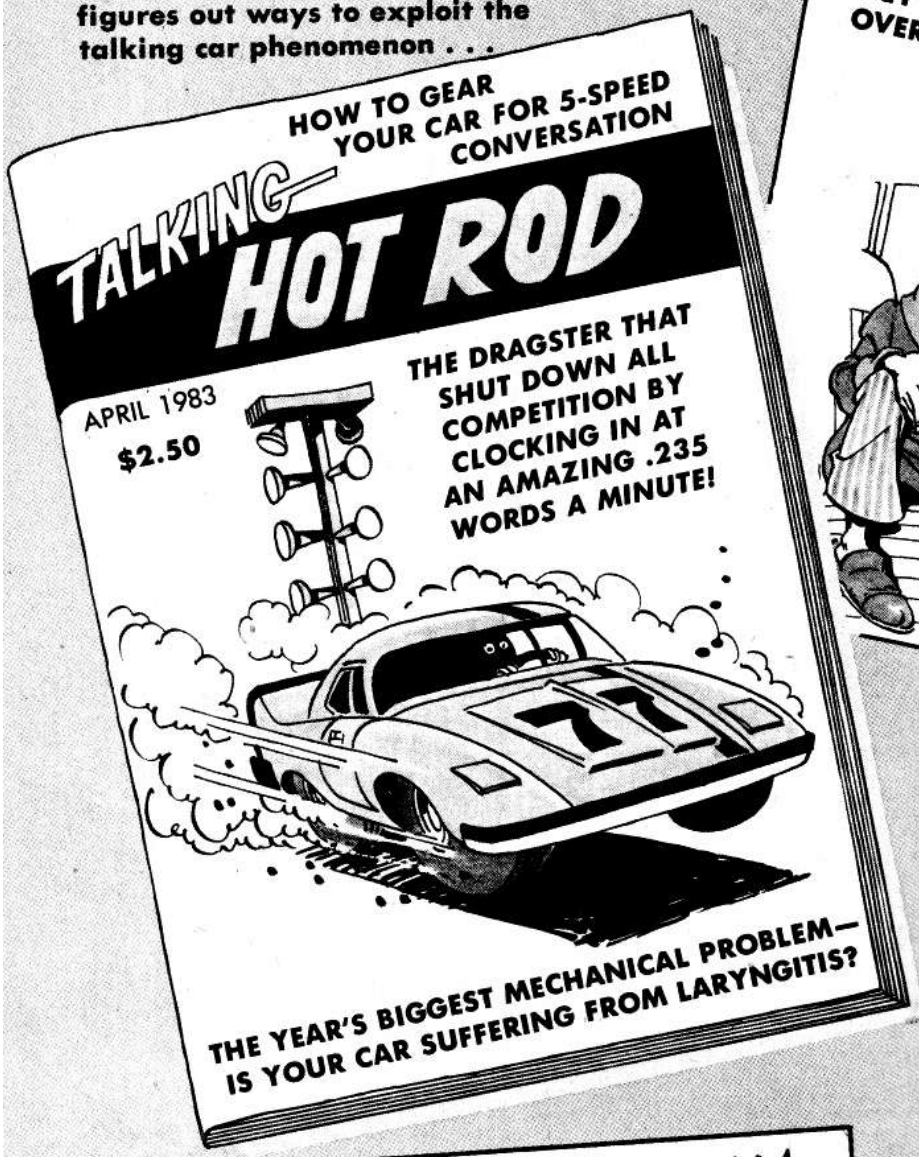

Hi, handsome! Look at my slim trim lines! Why don't you put your manly fingers around my wheel and take me somewhere for a trail spin (sigh!) just the two of us!
car CITY
NEW 82
SQUIRT

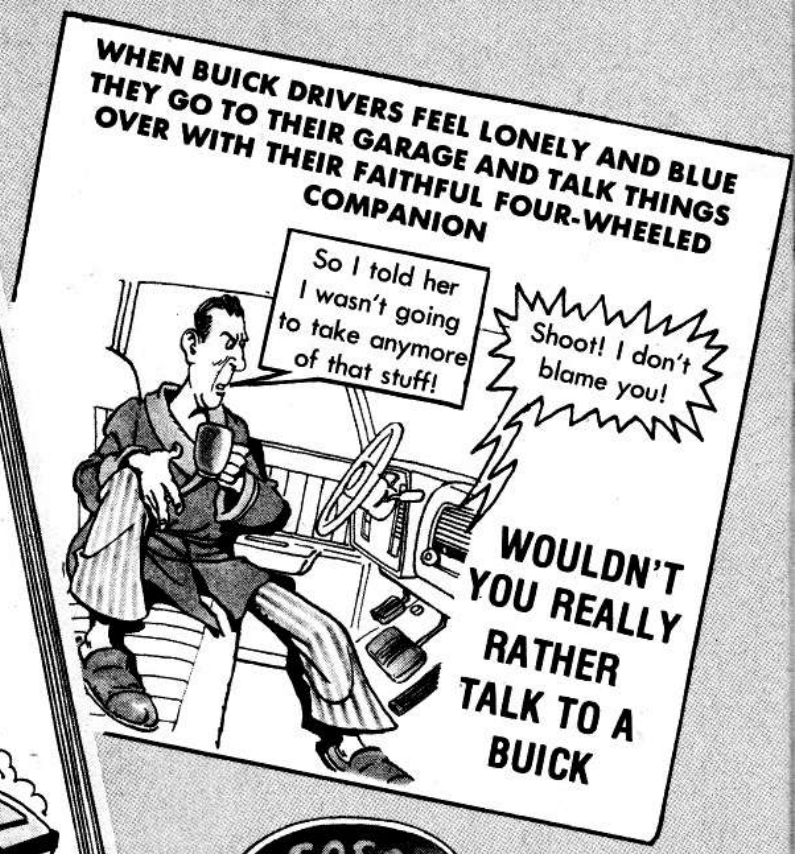
は有用にして充
私は，技法や材
であると思って
たが表現したい
分なものとなる
質との闘いが最
いる。しかし，
ものに完全に
TAYOTA DEALER
Hey! Why can't you dumb furriners learn to speak American?

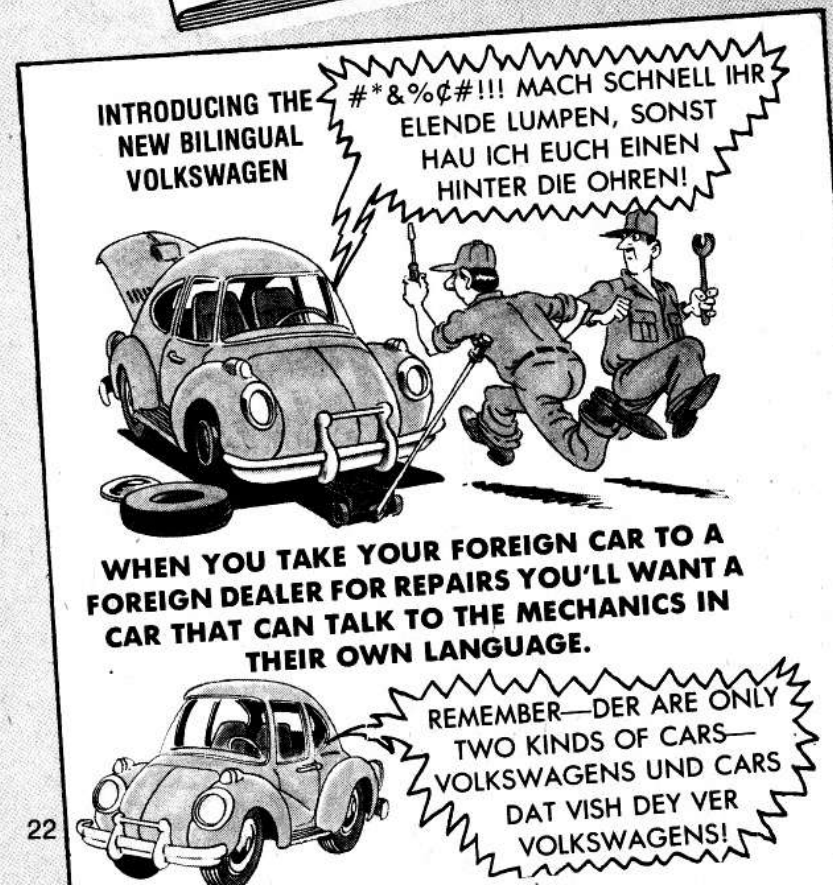
Just what I need . . . another yummy morsel!

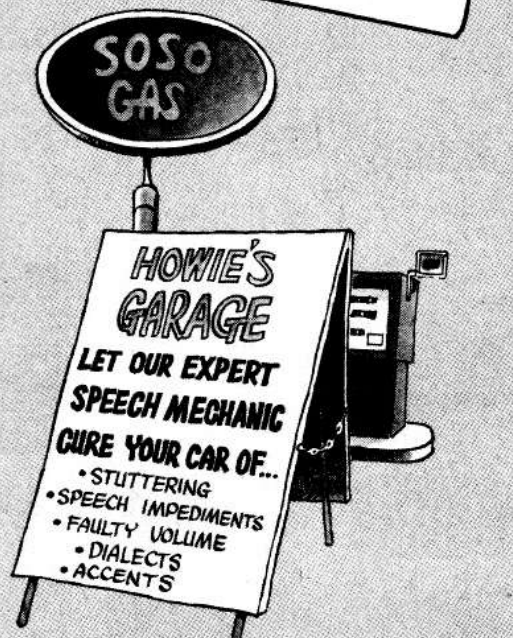
No, wait! . . . I'm not ready to die! Gulp! I've given you the best years of my life! You can't do this to me!
BIG JONS JUNK YARD

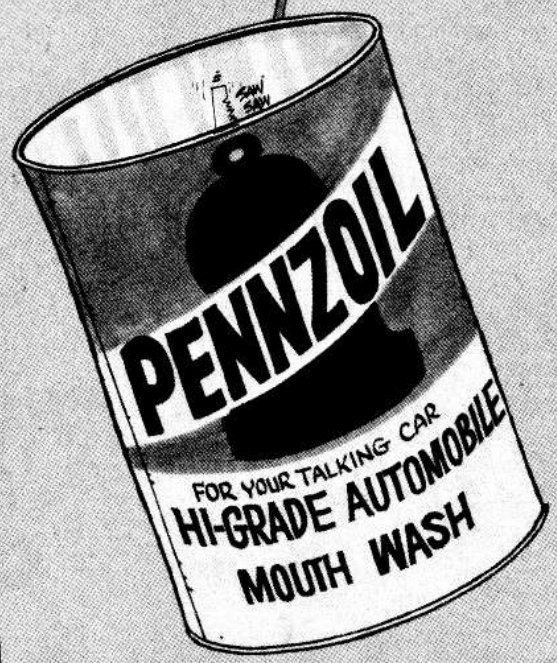
It won't be long before the business world figures out ways to exploit the talking car phenomenon . . .









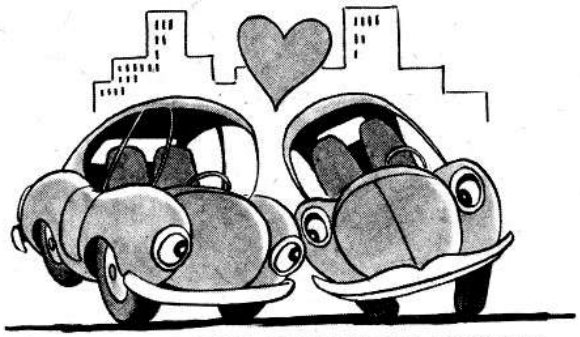


. . . and, of course, showbiz and the publishing world won't be far behind in cashing in on talking cars

METRO GOLDWYN MUFFLER
Presents
A STORY ABOUT YOUNG CARS WITH FUELISH NOTIONS

TENDER IS THE FENDER

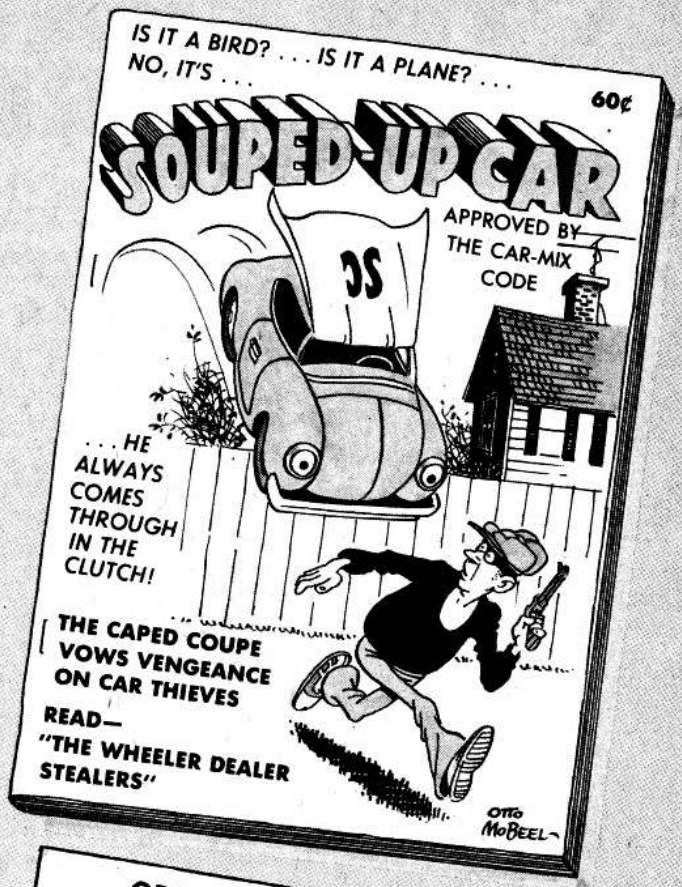
HE TOOK ONE LOOK AT HER TRIM CHASIS AND FELL HEAD OVER WHEELS IN LOVE



SEE THEM LOCK BUMPERS IN THE SCREEN'S MOST PASSIONATE LOVE STORY

HARRISON FORD — TYRONE HORSEPOWER — GLENDA JACKS

CHEVY CHASIS — LANA CAM — MICHAEL TURBO



CAROSCOPE FORECAST

YOUR AUTO'S CAROSCOPE SIGN IS DETERMINED BY THE DAY IT STEPPED OFF THE ASSEMBLY LINE

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19): SUCCESS IS WITHIN YOUR GRASP PROVIDING YOU MAKE THE EFFORT TO SHIFT INTO HIGH.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20): LEARN TO CONTROL YOUR TEMPER. DON'T BLOW YOUR GASKET.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20): YOU'RE NEGLECTING YOUR LOVED ONES. YOU COULD BE RIDING FOR A FALL.

GREATEST HITS BY

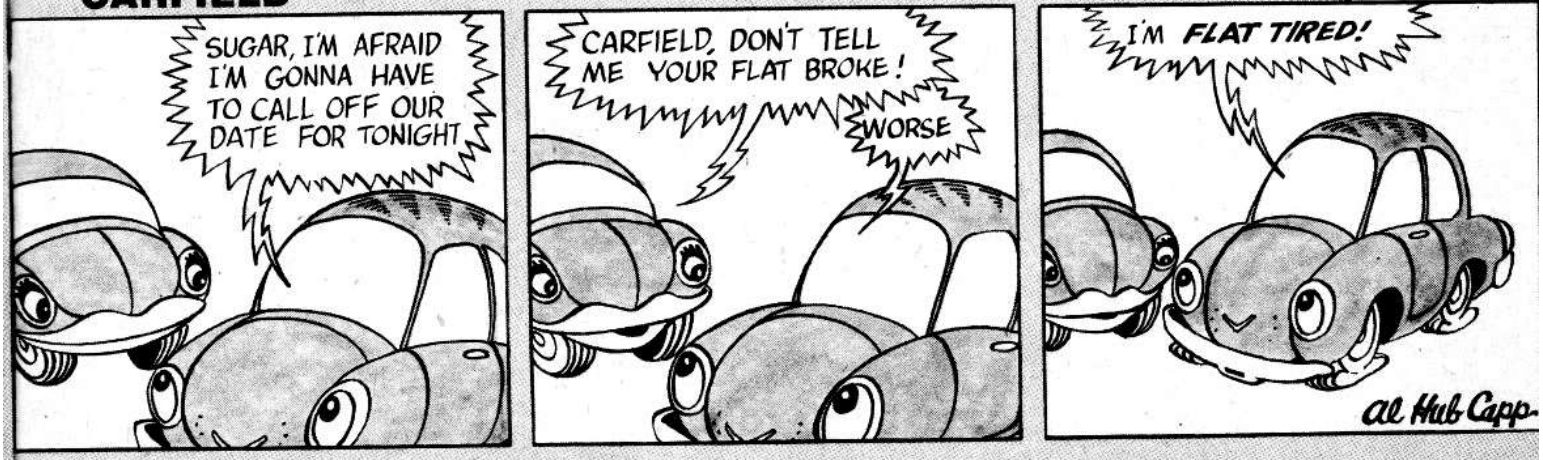
THE CARS

(REAL CARS)

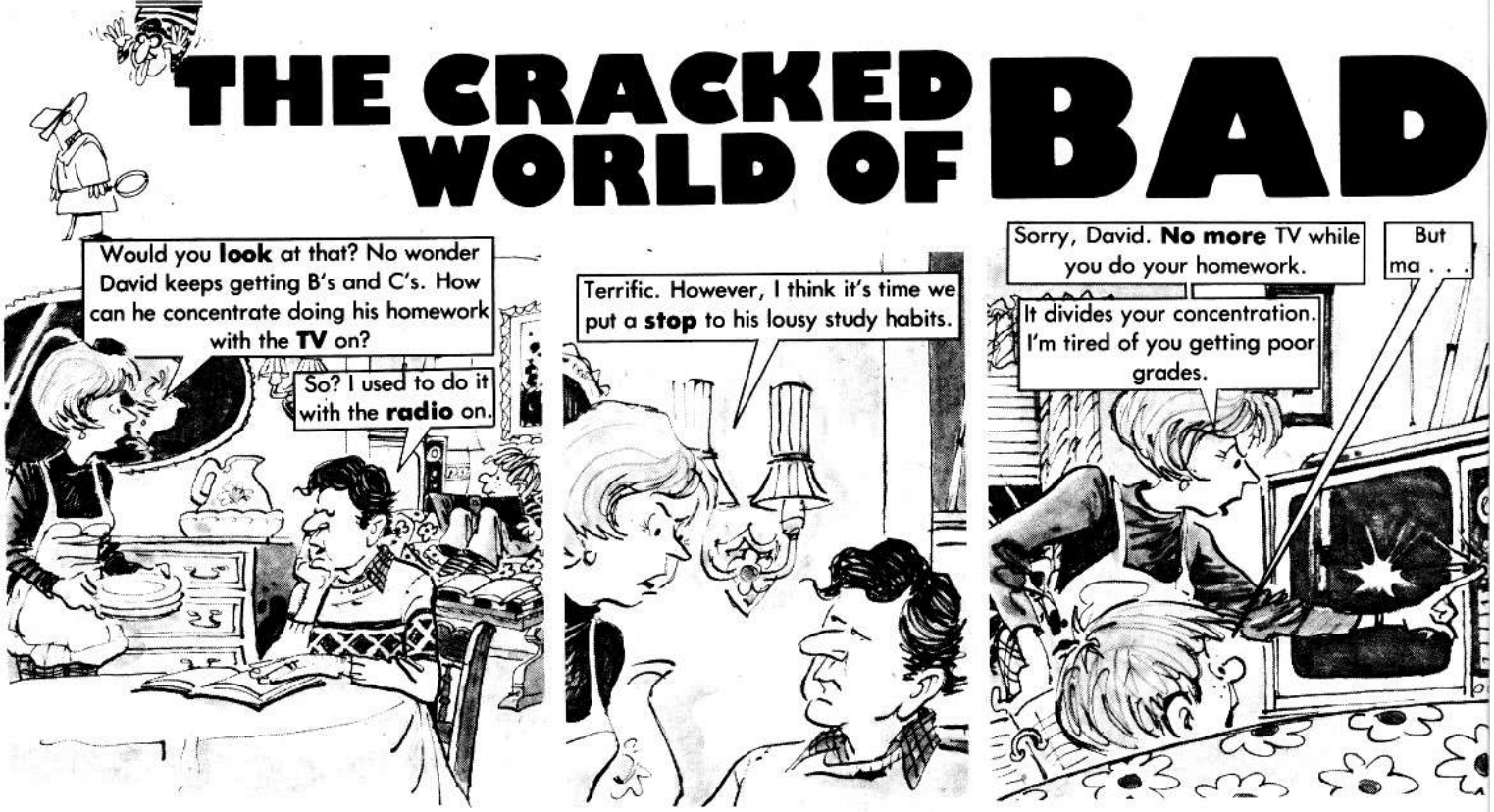
*THE FOUR TORQUES
*HOT ROD STEWART
*SAM THE CAM
*IKE & TINA TUNER
*MICK JAGUAR
*CHEVY VAN MORRISON
*FRANK ZAPPA & THE MOTORS OF INVENTION
*PETER, HAUL & MARY

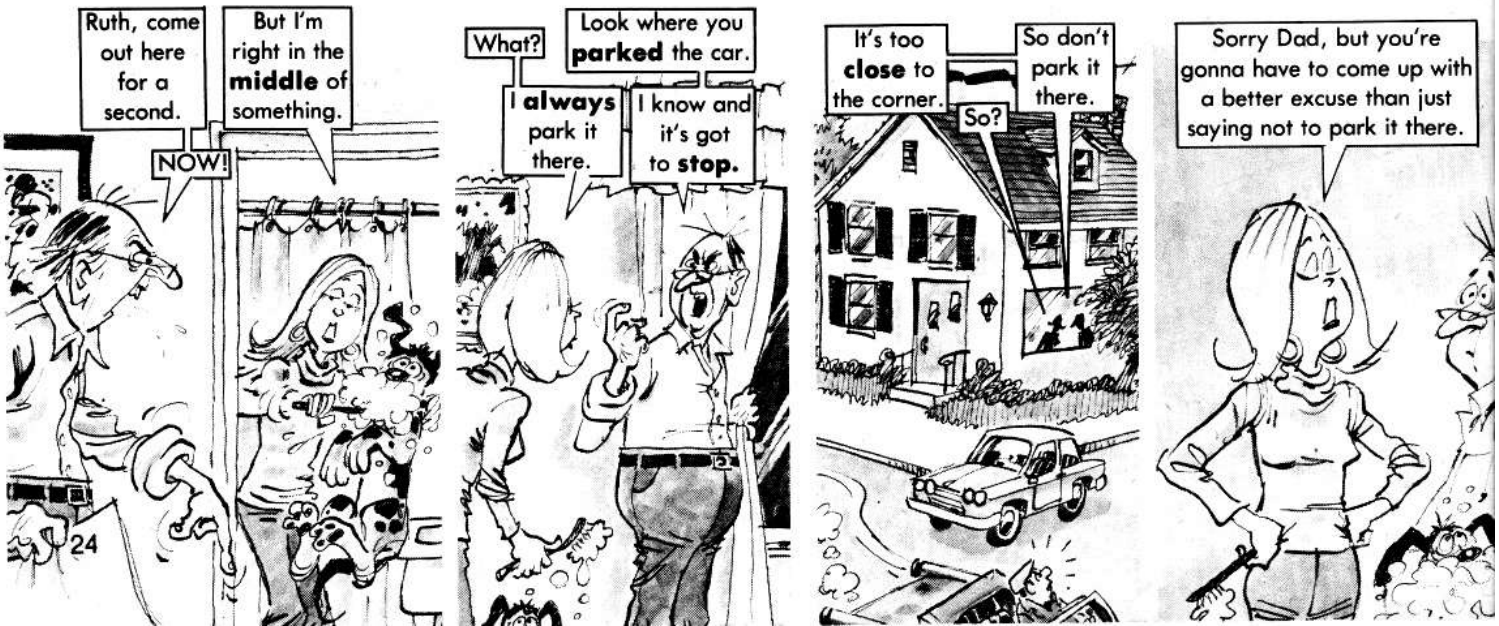
ALL SONGS On this album are played on fender guitars

CARFIELD



THE CRACKED WORLD OF BAD





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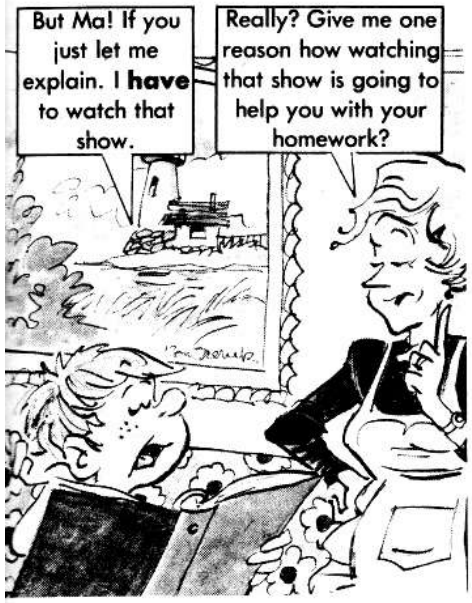
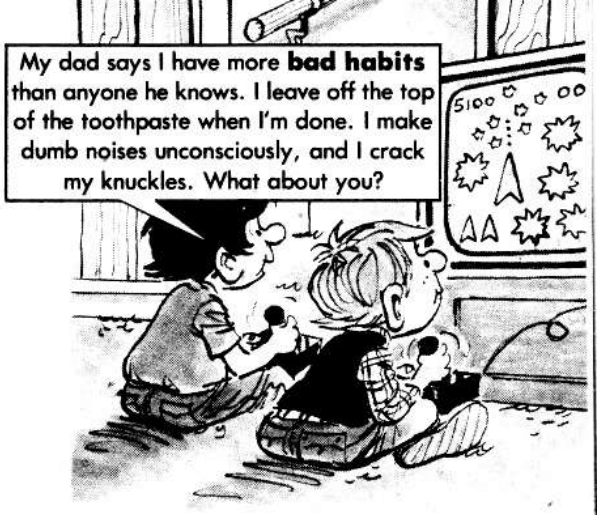

But Ma! If you just let me explain. I **have** to watch that show.
Really? Give me one reason how watching that show is going to help you with your homework?

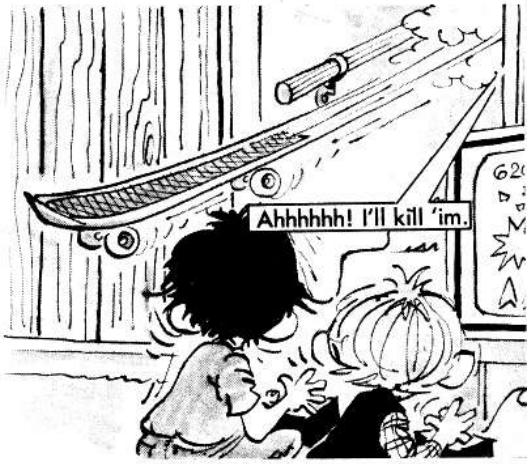
We have to write a **report** on it for English tomorrow.

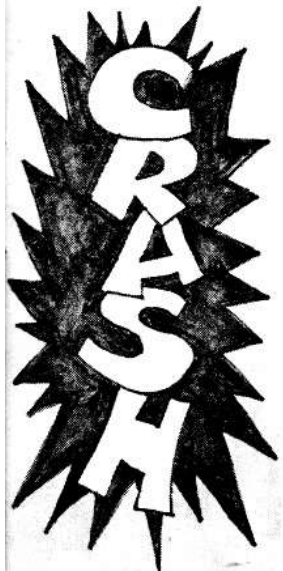

My dad says I have more **bad habits** than anyone he knows. I leave off the top of the toothpaste when I'm done. I make dumb noises unconsciously, and I crack my knuckles. What about you?

Gee Bob. I'm not trying to show you up, but I can't think of **one** bad thing I do.
Hi everyone. Daddy's home.

Just **look** at this checkbook! You've got this lousy habit of not keeping good records. No wonder the bank just sent this check back that you used to buy the carpeting with.
That's terrific!
What's so terrific?

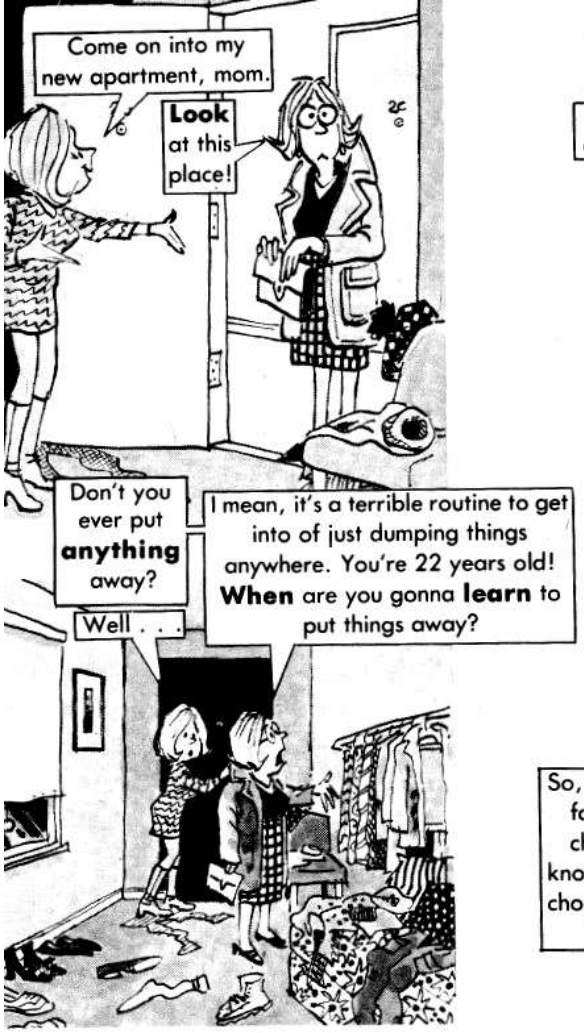
Now I can use it to buy something **else**!


Ahhhhhh! I'll kill 'im.


CRASH

O.K. **That's** more convincing!
THE GHOST
RUTHIE

Oh yeah . . . **except** forget to put away my skateboard!


Come on into my new apartment, mom.
Look at this place!
Don't you ever put anything away?
Well . . .
I mean, it's a terrible routine to get into of just dumping things anywhere. You're 22 years old! When are you gonna learn to put things away?

Who can tell us what Hamlet is about?
I can.
All right, Wilbur. Quickly summarize the plot.
HAML

Well, this Danish guy lives in this, you know, castle and he, you know, has a mother and, you know, father. Only . . .
HAMLET
May I stop you for one second?

Just as soon as I can afford to rent an apartment that has a closet!

So, I get my degree next fall and then (chomp chomp) I really don't know what I'll do (chomp chomp) next. Mmmmmm! That smells good!
It's Chicken Sasha. I've been cooking all day to get it just right.
COOKIES

So how are you and Steve doing?
Not bad. Steve was assigned a new job at the Cheese Processing Plant and I'm still doing my interpretive snow sculptures.

Would you look at this! Every light in the house is on!
Now calm down!
Frank! Raymond! Where are you?
Up here.

If you two are up here, then why are all the lights on downstairs? I don't own shares in the electric company, you know.
Dad, you always say that.
True.

So we decided to do something about it.
Leaving all the lights on downstairs is doing something?
No, but this is.

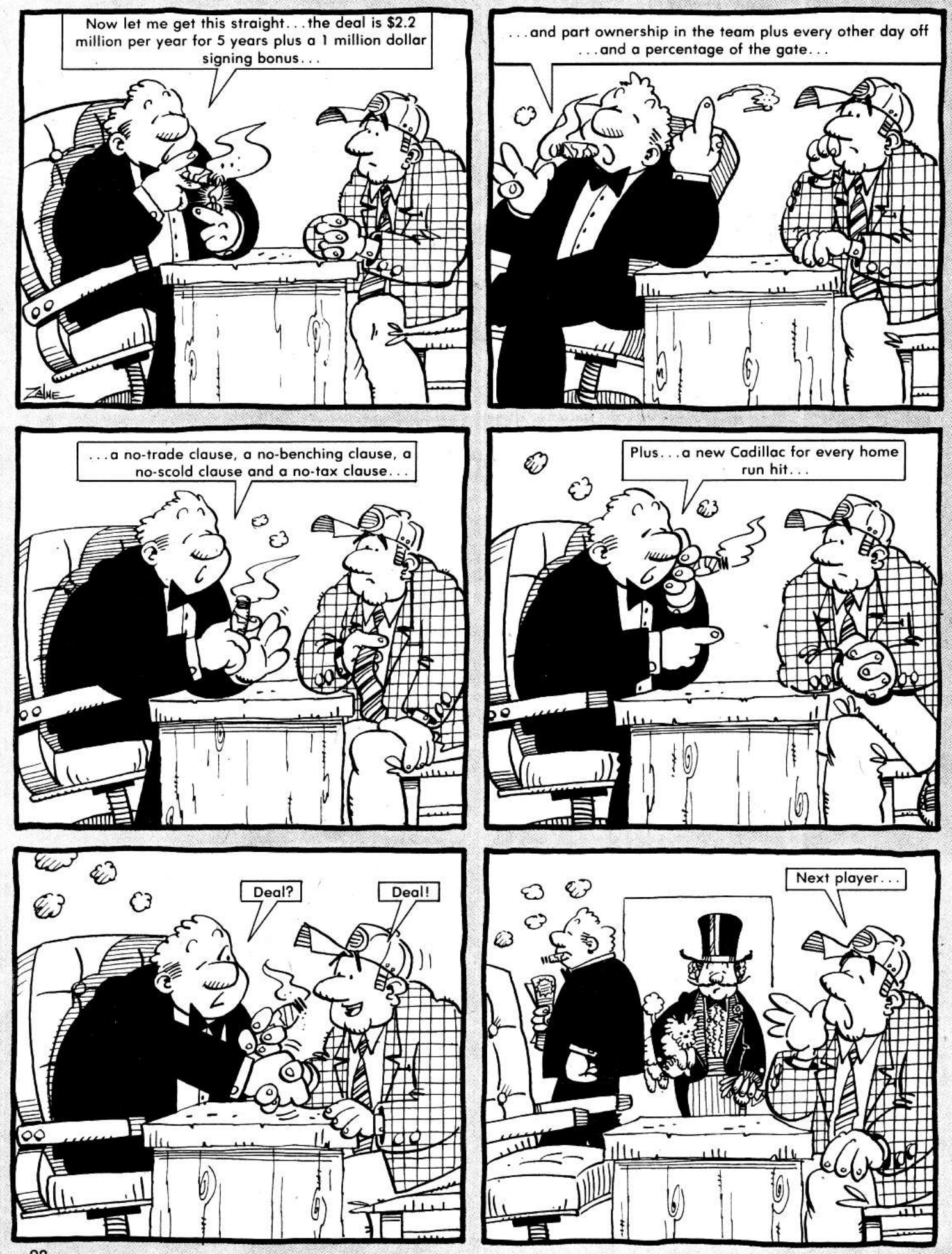
For your birthday we bought you 2 shares in the electric company!!

You, along with a lot of other students in this class, have the terrible habit of constantly sticking the phrase **"you know"** in front of everything you say. Wilbur, if **"I knew,"** then I wouldn't be asking you to explain this to me. Understand?
PLAYS
Yes ma'am.
Interpret what I just said.
HAMLET
Basically, it means we **wasted our time** reading the play last night because if you don't "know" what it's about either, then we could have just **made up** any old plot line for you today.
HAMLET THE PRINCE OF DENMARK

Denise, I don't mean to pry, but do you **always** sit around before dinner eating cake and cookies?
Oh gosh! I didn't even realize I was **doing it** again.
To keep myself busy, I just sort of unconsciously keep eating these sweet things all day long.
I don't know how you do it. If I ate a whole bag of cookies everyday, I'd be as big as a house.
COOKIES
Yeah, well, I make up for it by cutting out **lots** of **other things** during the day.
Oh yeah? Like what?
COOKIE
Dinner.
Terrific.

And then Paul and I decided not to go to the...
IOWA U
Stop it! You have this constant habit of trying to place your arm around me without **asking** my permission.
But I . . .
IOWA
I **don't want** you pawing me.
But Julie. I was reaching my arm around you for a purpose.
Oh yeah? **What** was **that**?
IOWA U
To brush the **spider** off your sweater.

AN OWNER AND A PLAYER NEGOTIATING A CONTRACT...1982



Everyone remembers (if you can remember back 3 billion years) that man once started out as a fish, then became a lizard, then an ape, and finally, a human. (This must have been how it was for Howard Cosell.) Other things have evolved, too, and before we change into anything else, let's quick show you the

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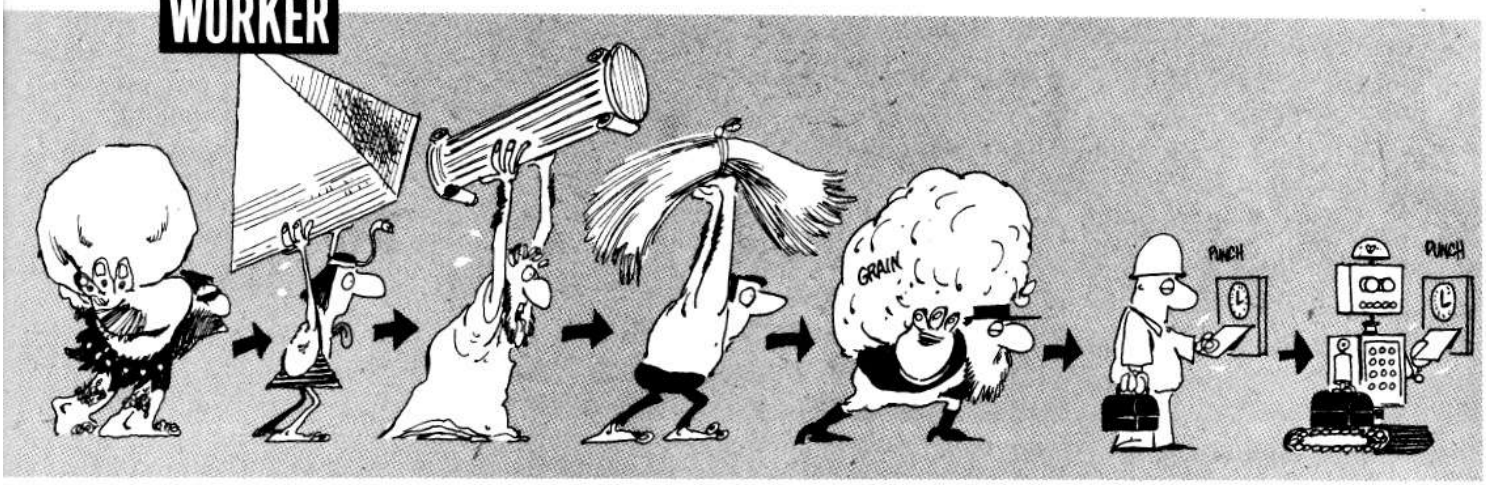
EVOLUTION REVOLUTION

WORKER



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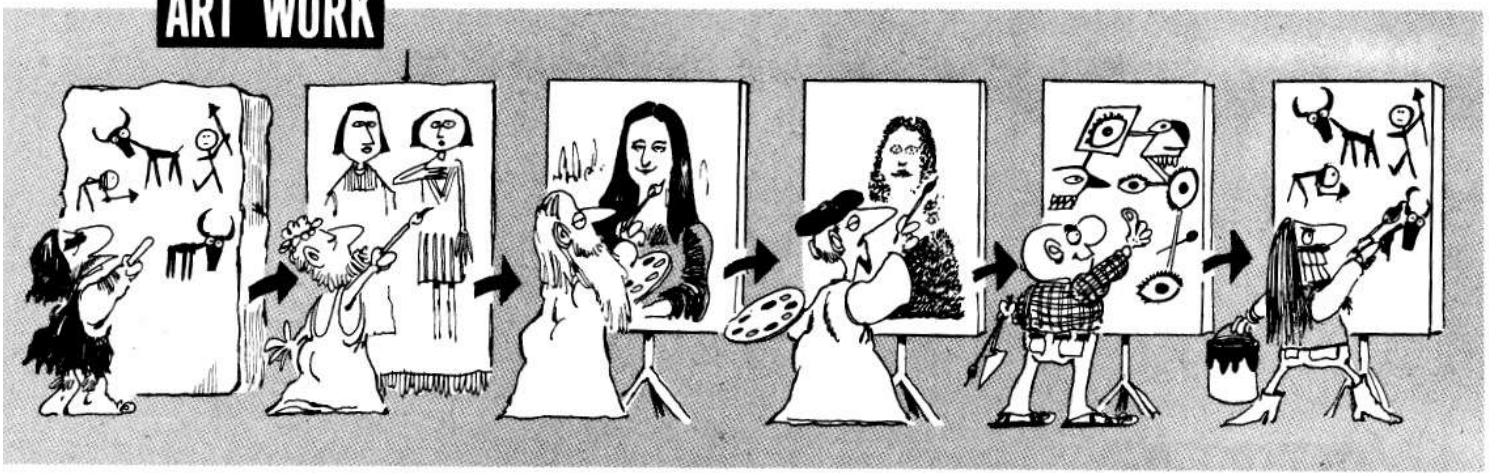

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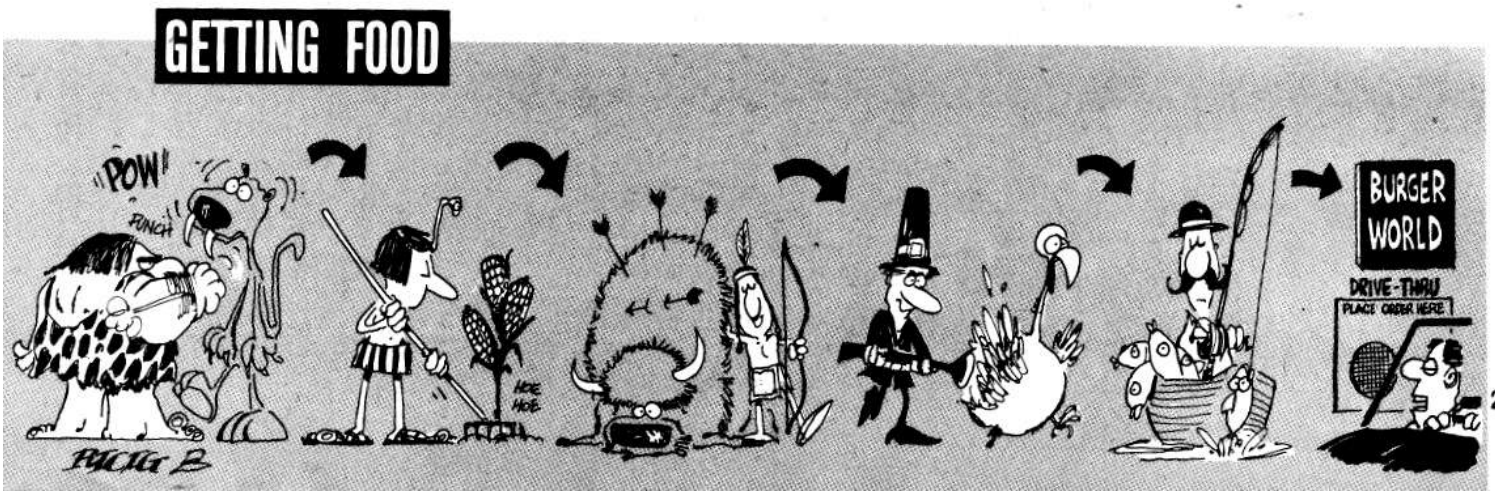

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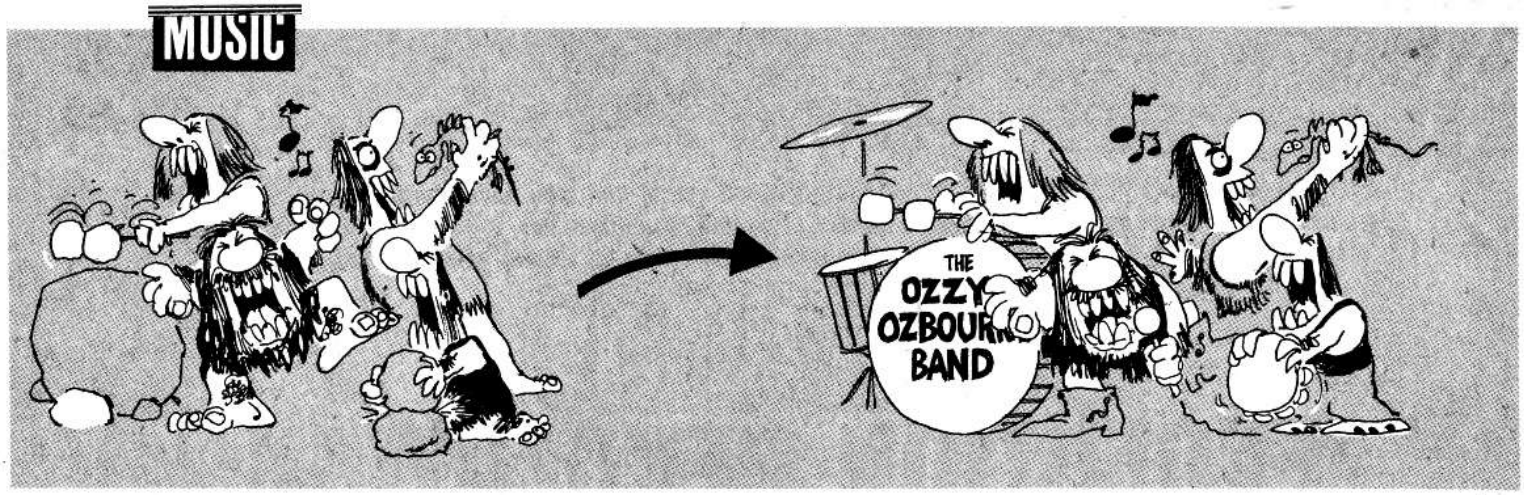

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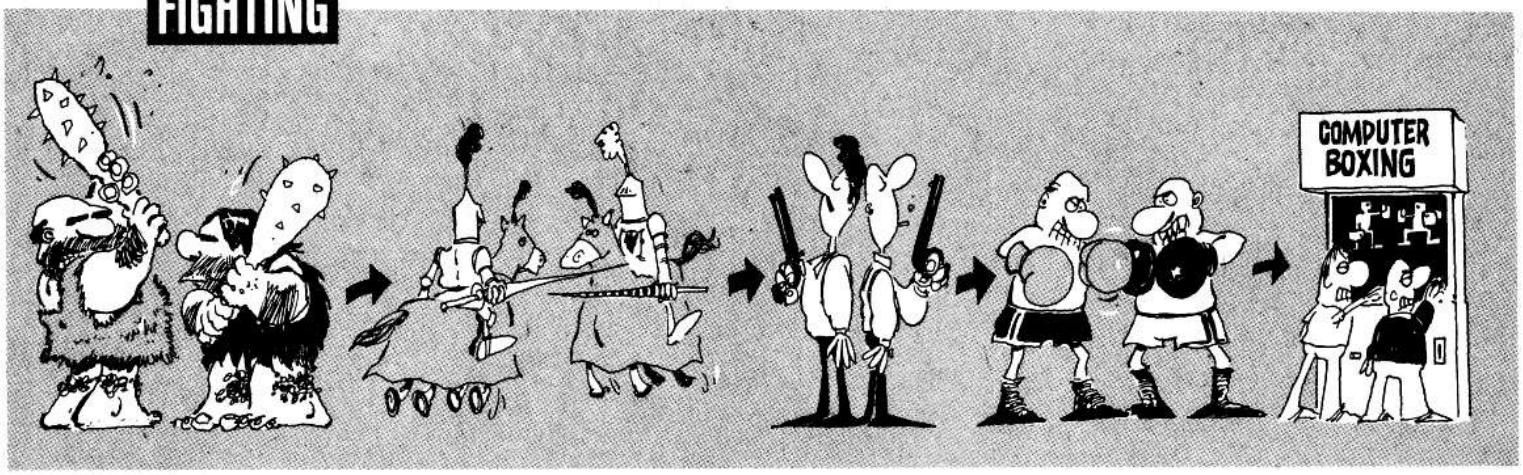

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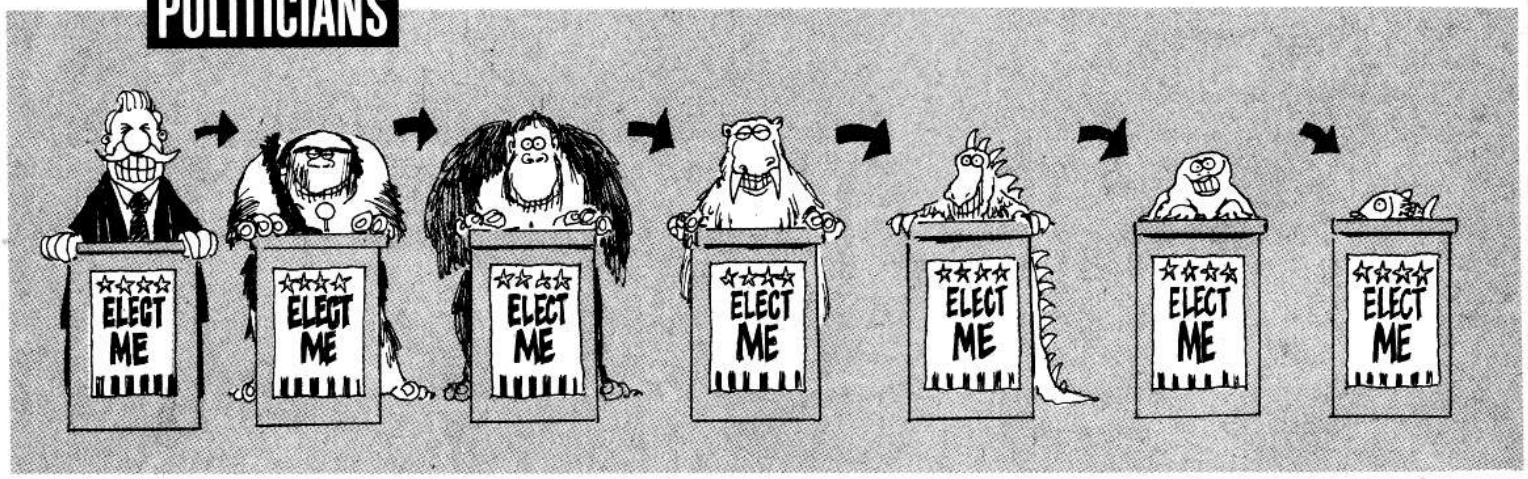

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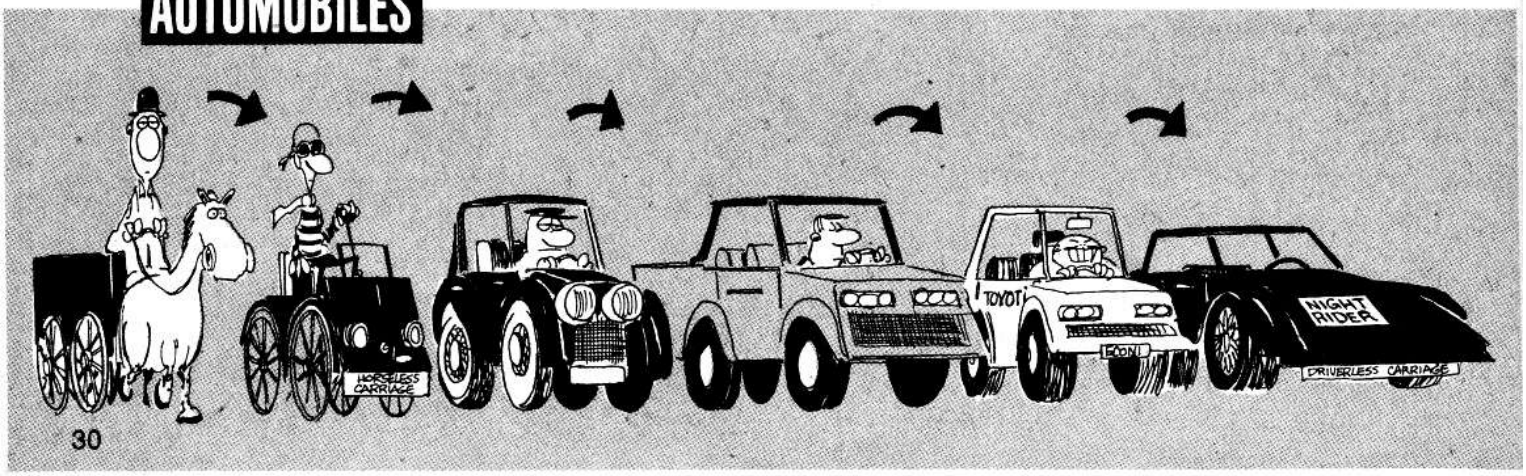

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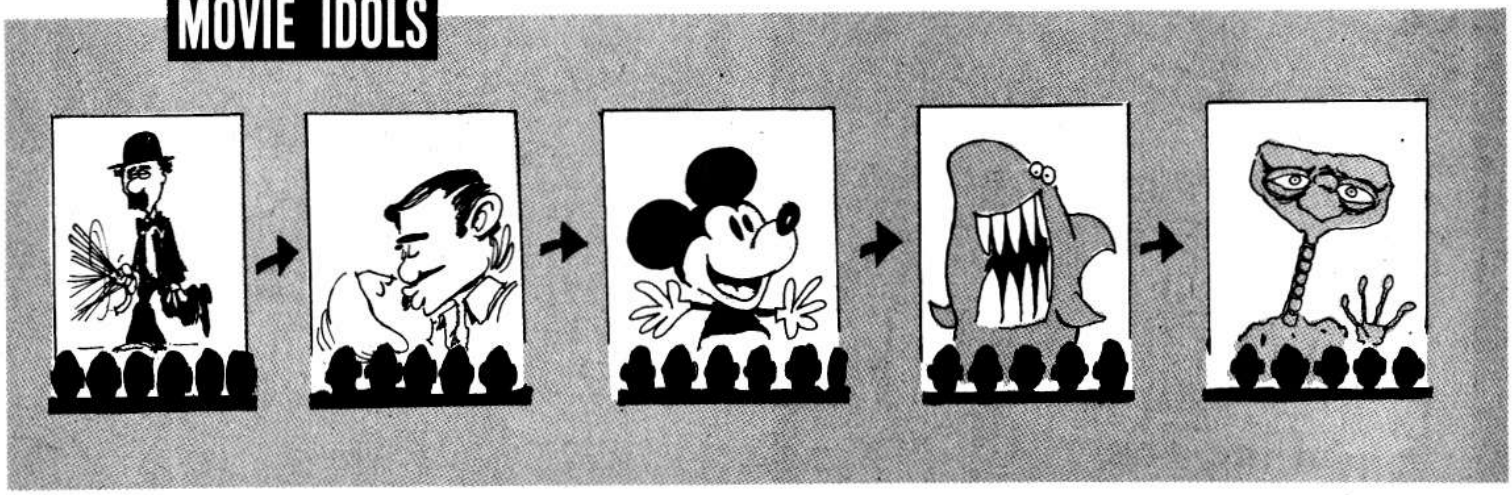

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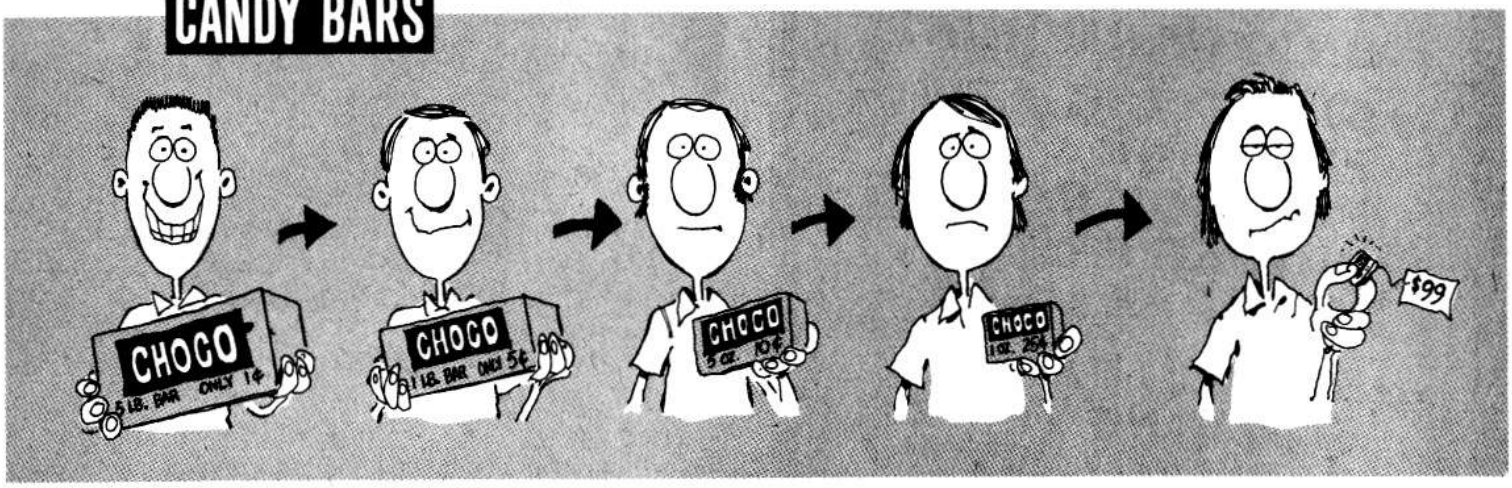

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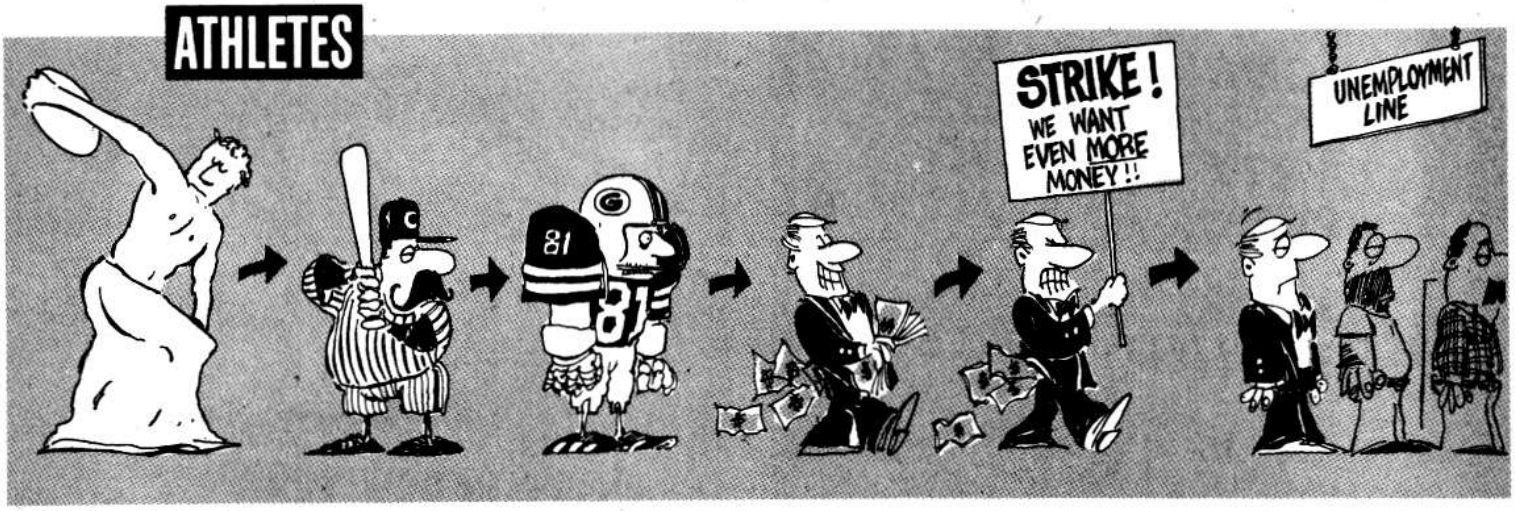

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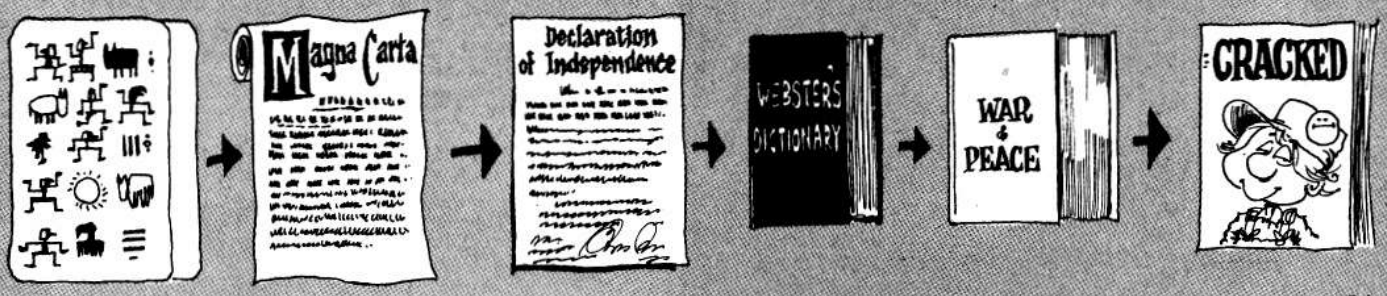

CRACKED predicts the current trend towards specialized magazines will become even more intensified with time. A glance into our murky crystal ball reveals that even non-humans will eventually get into the act with publications like . . .

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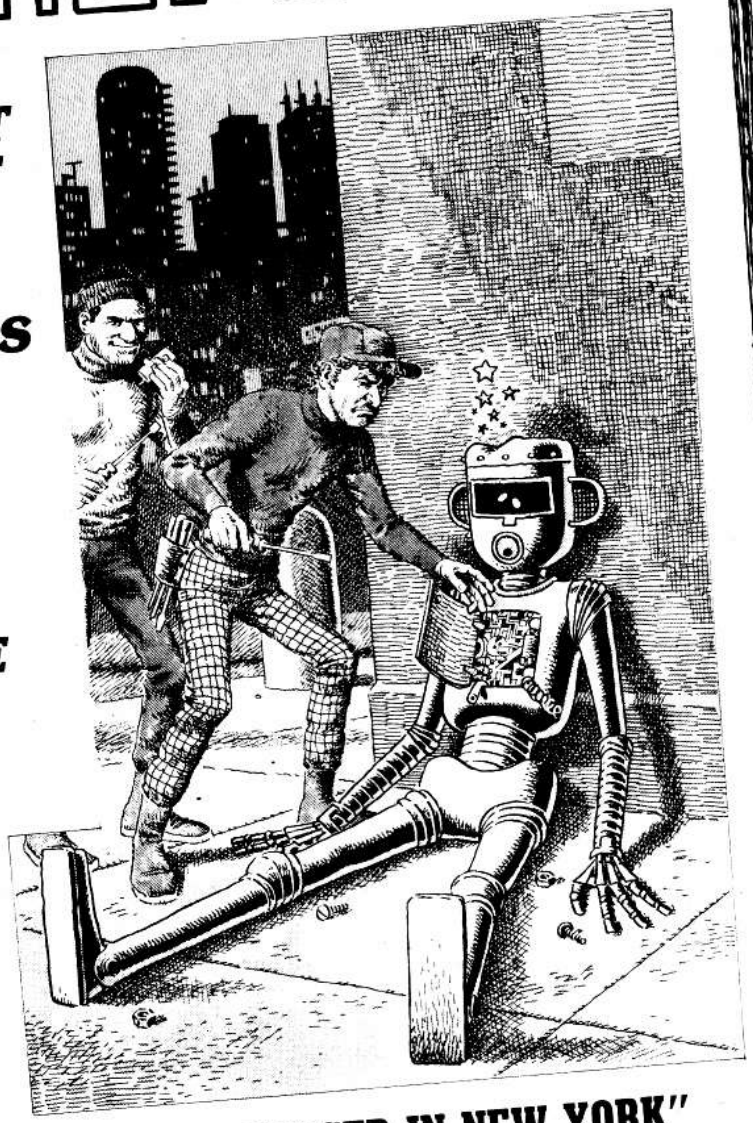
A MAGAZINE FOR ROBOTS BY ROBOTS

ROBOT REPORT

PRICE 100 NUTS 'N' BOLTS

A SY BORG PUBLICATION

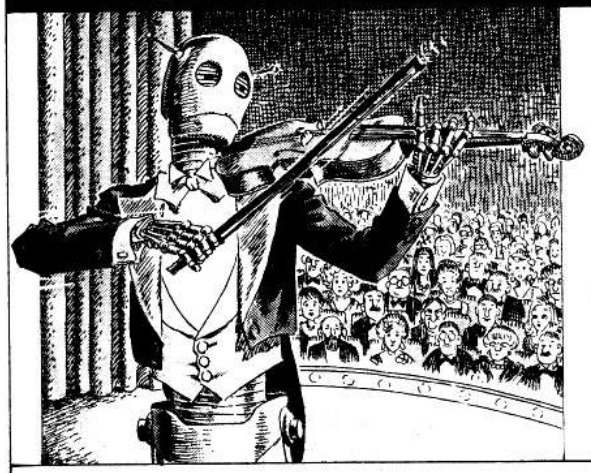
- ***HOW TO PREVENT UNDERARM RUST***
- ***STARTLING NEW FINDING: PLAYBOY ROBOTS SUFFER FROM METAL FATIGUE***
- ***PLANS FOR BUILDING YOUR OWN HUMAN WITH COMPLETE SCHEMATIC LAYOUT OF ALL ARTERIES AND VEINS***
- ***ROBOTDOM'S T-SHIRT CRAZE***



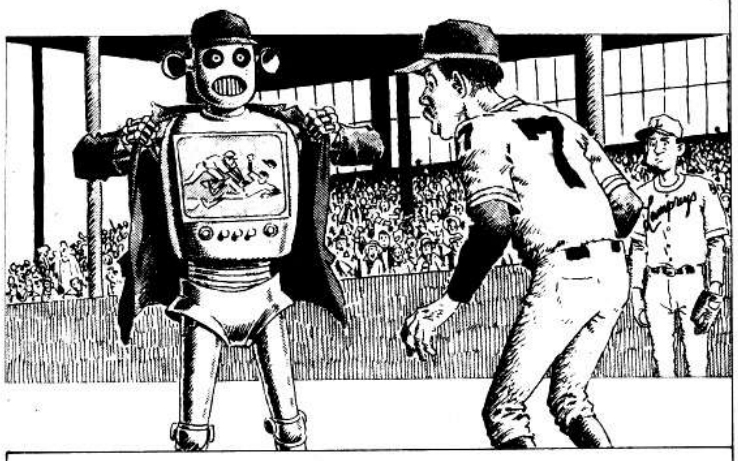
"I WAS MUGGED IN NEW YORK" THE COIL-RAISING TALE OF A ROBOT WHO WAS STRIPPED OF HIS VALUABLE METAL PARTS BY A GANG OF SCREWDRIVER-WIELDING THUGS

SEVERIN

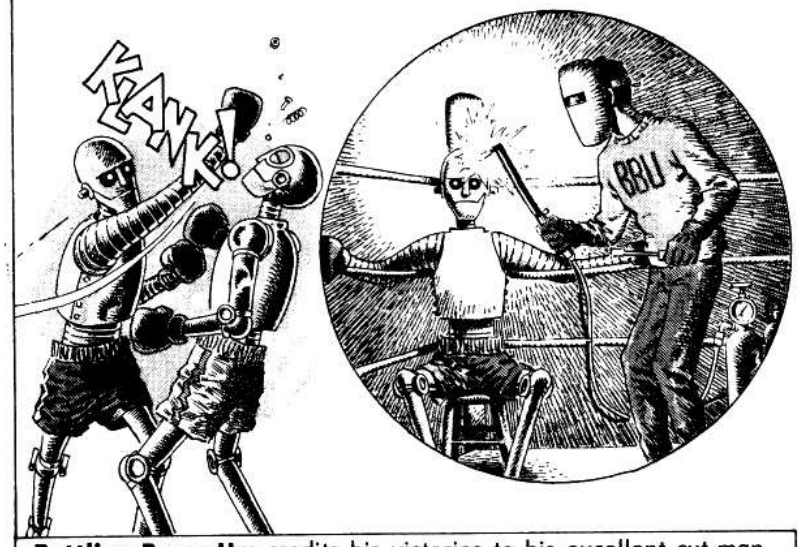
ROBOTS IN THE SPOTLIGHT



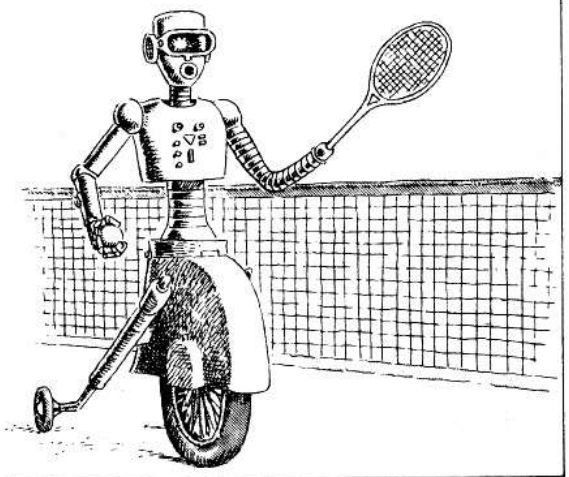
When **Brian Bronzoni,** the world's leading robot violin virtuoso, plays a stirring cantata sparks actually fly . . . his critics claim it's just a short circuit.



Famed robot umpire, **R. B. Terr,** has a sure-fire way of silencing squawkers. . . he shows them an instant replay of the disputed call.



Battling Barry Um credits his victories to his excellent cut-man (shown in photo inset).
Barry especially prizes the trophies he wins. . . they're made from his melted-down opponents.



Tim 10-S swings his metal racket like it's part of him, mainly, because it is part of him.
Tim explained away a recent defeat by saying both his game and his wheel were a little flat.

JAYSON ROBOTS RUNS FOR PRESIDENT ON METALLIC TICKET

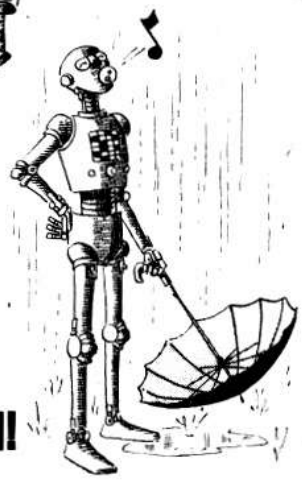
JAYSON OFFERS THE FOLLOWING REASONS WHY A ROBOT WOULD MAKE A BETTER PRESIDENT THAN A HUMAN:

- **ROBOTS HAVE BULLETPROOF BODIES THAT MAKE THEM IMPERVIOUS TO AN ASSASSIN'S BULLET**
- **ROBOTS DON'T HAVE TO REFURNISH THE WHITE HOUSE AT GREAT EXPENSE... THEY CAN LIVE IN A BROOM CLOSET**
- **ROBOTS CAN SCREW ON AN EXTRA HEAD WHEN PONDERING EXTRA-TOUGH PROBLEMS**

Candidate **Jayson Robots** adds on extra arms whenever he hits the gruelling campaign trail.

RUST-GUARD FIGHTS THE #1 DREADED ROBOT DISEASE TWO WAYS

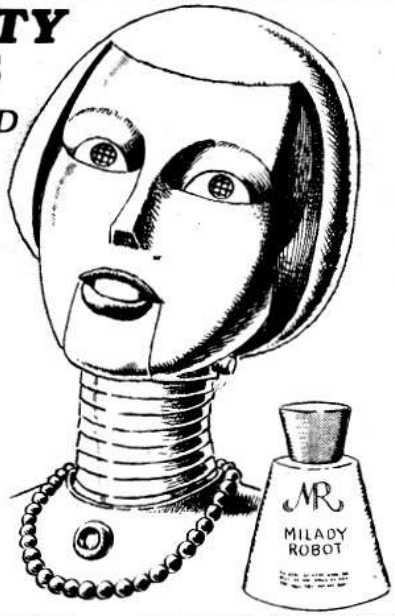
PAINT IT ON AND/OR DRINK IT



WITH RUST-GUARD PROTECTION, YOU, TOO, CAN SING IN THE RAIN!

HE'LL TAKE A SHINE TO YOU WITH MILADY ROBOT BEAUTY AIDS

GUARANTEED TO HELP YOU BE THE GLEAM IN HIS ROBOT EYE



MEDICATED CHROME AND METAL CLEANSER REMOVES UNSIGHTLY GREASE AND TARNISH STAINS

CHROME AND METAL POLISHER GIVES YOUR METAL SKIN THAT SASSY COME-HITHER LUSTER

PROMOTIONS COME FAST IN THE

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ROBOTS

WHAT ARE THE QUALIFICATIONS TO BECOME A U.S. ARMY ROBOT?

Any healthy robot that has his iridium-sponge brain programmed for patriotism may be accepted in the Army Corps of Robots.

DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO WEAR THIS PROUD INSIGNIA?

WHAT ARE MY BENEFITS AS A ROBOT SOLDIER?

- FREQUENT RECHARGING OF BATTERIES
- DAILY OIL CHANGES
- MONTHLY REHAULING OF ALL WIRES, WHEELS AND CIRCUITS
- FREE PROGRAMMING IN ANY OCCUPATIONAL FIELD OF YOUR CHOICE (OVER 300 TO CHOOSE FROM)

PLEASE SEND ME ADDITIONAL INFO_____
IDENTIFICATION #_____
AC OR DC?_____
DATE OF MANUFACTURE_____
MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY #_____
HAVE YOU EVER HAD A SHORT CIRCUIT, FAULTY WIRING, OR ANY OTHER HEALTH PROBLEM? (DESCRIBE IN DETAIL)
_____
_____
_____

ASK ROBERTA ROBOT

Dear Roberta:
I'm getting old and haggard-looking. I need a face lift, but I'm worried about the operation. Do you think I should submit to surgery?

Old Hag

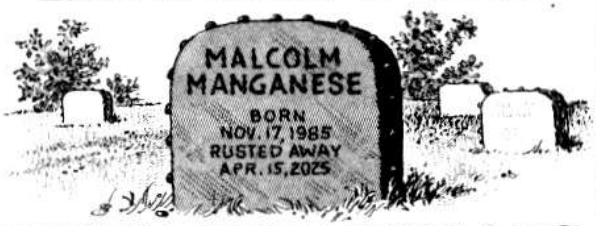
Dear Old Hag:
Go ahead with the surgery, but make sure you go only to a reputable spot-welder.

Dear Roberta:
I'm married to a hyperactive solar-powered robot who wants to go out dancing all the time. What can I do to slow him down?

Exhausted

Dear Exhausted:
Move to a cloudy climate.

DON'T WIND UP LIKE A HUNK O' JUNK



DIGNIFIED BURIALS FOR ROBOTS

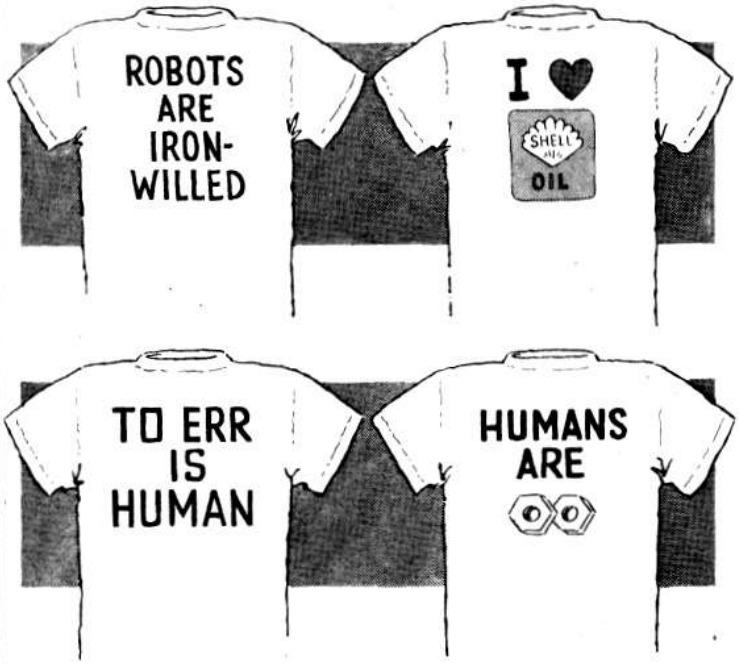
SERVING ROBOTS OF ALL METALLIC DENOMINATIONS . . . EXCEPT RADIOACTIVE PLUTONIUM

WE WILL TASTEFULLY MELT DOWN ROBOTS IN OUR CREMETALORIUM

METALHAVEN MEMORIAL PARK

T-SHIRT FAD HITS ROBOT WORLD

BELOW ARE SOME OF THE MANY T-SHIRTS SPORTED BY ROBOTDOM'S TRENDY SET

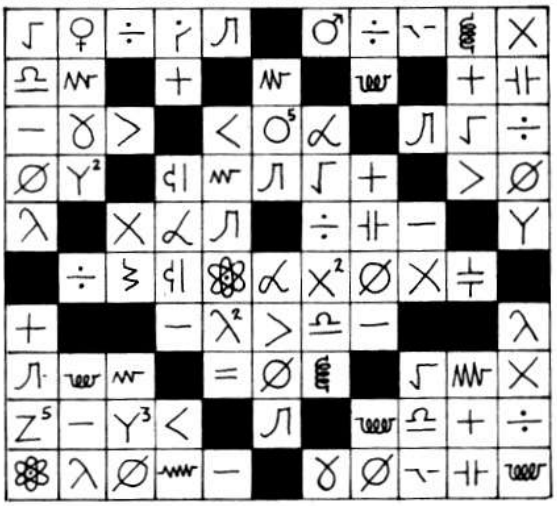


THE LATEST PEOPLE-JOKE TO HIT ROBOTDOM

Why does it require four humans to screw in one light bulb?

Answer: That's how many humans it takes to find one robot to do the job.

ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S CROSSWORD PUZZLE



YOUR ROBOT HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 - April 19) To forge ahead in your career you need new contacts . . . especially on your generator.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20) Today is a good day for attacking current problems . . . regardless of whether they are A.C. or D.C.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21) Learn to think positive! Tape up all the negative ends of your batteries.

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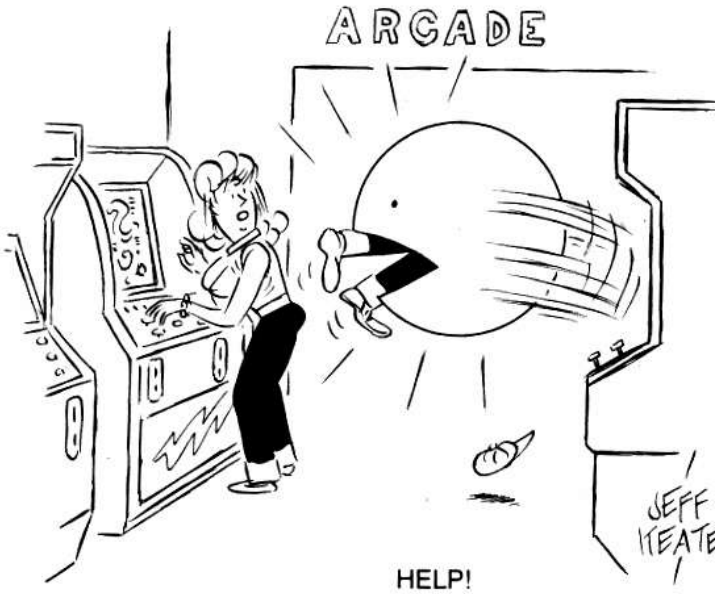
TH'END

CRACKED'S VIDEO CARTOON SHOWCASE

My rich uncle left me $50,000? WOW! That figures out to 200,000 video games for me!



HELP!

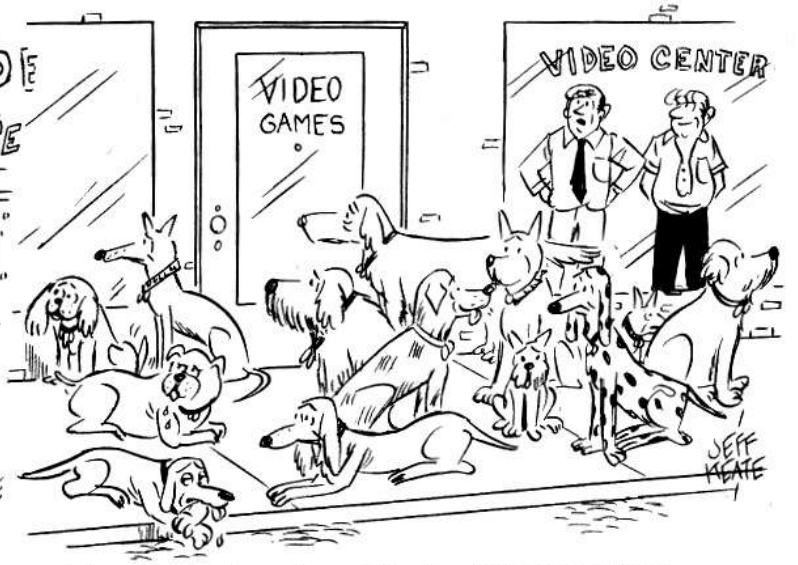
That's if you only score 500,000 points . . . wait'll you see if you score less than that.

No, no, earthling! Let me show you how to destroy the invaders from Oxnia!

I'm in no shape to take you shopping, dear . . . Junior just vaporized me with a photon torpedo.

Buddy, can you spare fifty cents for a cup of coffee and ten bucks for a guy who's determined to destroy Og and the Ogonian army?

I don't care if you do need only 200,000 points to zap Zog, people are waiting!



They know where to wait for the kids after school.

Mother and Dad came with me to show me how dumb these games are but they've been at it for six hours now.

Titanic Video Games? About that new OCTOZAP game you installed . . .

Hollywood has chosen to surround its 3-D movies with blood and gore. There's only one problem. After seeing only a few of these grisly flics, the shock of murder and massacre soon wears thin. What's desperately needed is some new way to spice up those . . .

3-D HORROR SHOWS

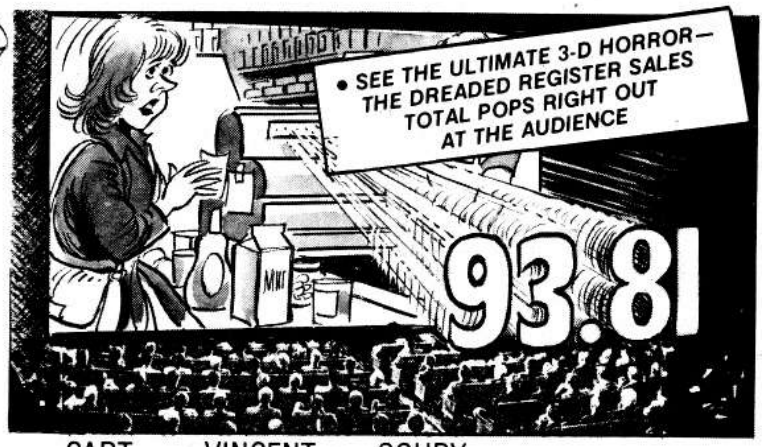
. . . so if those 3-D pictures are going to continue to shock their audiences the movie moguls are going to have to come up with different themes like the ones on the following pages . . .

A 3-D HORROR MOVIE THAT'S GUARANTEED TO RIP OUT YOUR GUTS!

METRO GOLDWYN MAHEM PRESENTS

A VISIT TO THE SUPERMARKET

"MORE THAN ONE SHOPPER COMES A CROPPER IN THIS GRUESOME FILM" L.A. Times



CAN MURRAY | MEAT DILLON | TAPE HUNTER

CART JURGENS | VINCENT PRICE | SOUPY SALES

20TH CENTURY FOXES PRESENTS

AT THE SHOPPING MALL IN 3-D

"A MELLOW MAULING MELODRAMA"
THE NEW YORKER

• YOU'LL SHRIEK WITH REVULSION WHEN THE TEEN SHOPPERS TALK THEIR GRODY VALLEYGIRLESE

• TERROR WILL FILL YOUR SOUL WHEN YOU SEE WILD-EYED MOTORISTS TRYING TO FIND PARKING SPACE IN THE OVERCROWDED PARKING LOT

PRODUCED BY SALE HUROK

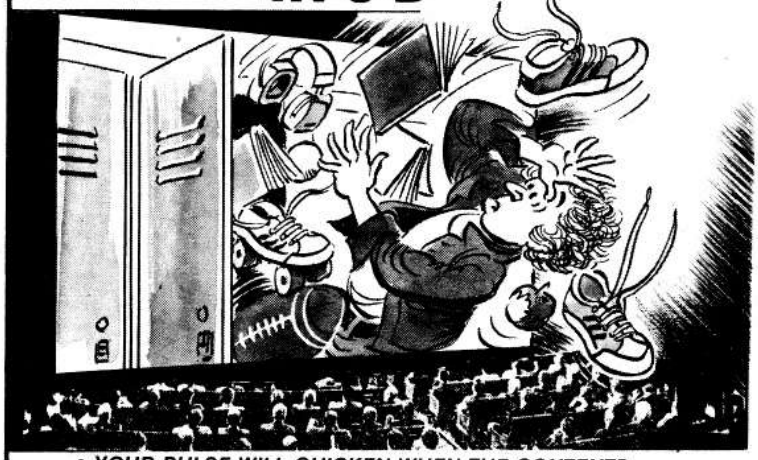
BRENDA STORE | MACLANE BARGAIN | HAYLEY MALLS | MONTGOMERY GIFT

UNITED DITCHERS PRESENTATION

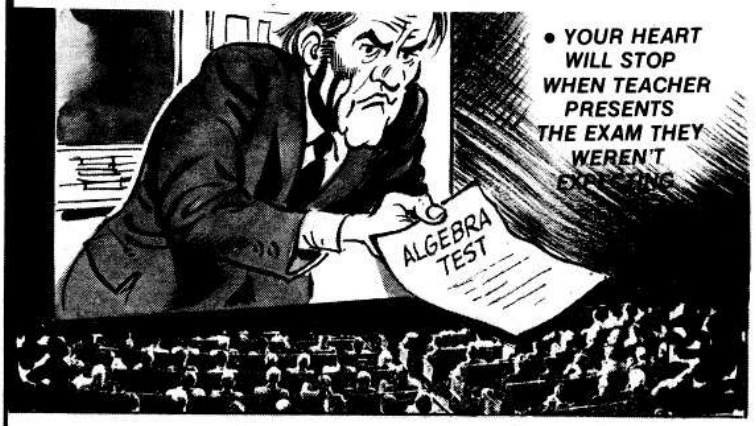
SCHOOL DAZE

FEATURING

CLARET-CURDLING CLASS CUT-UPS IN 3-D



• YOUR PULSE WILL QUICKEN WHEN THE CONTENTS OF THE OVERSTUFFED LOCKER COMES FLYING OUT AT YOU



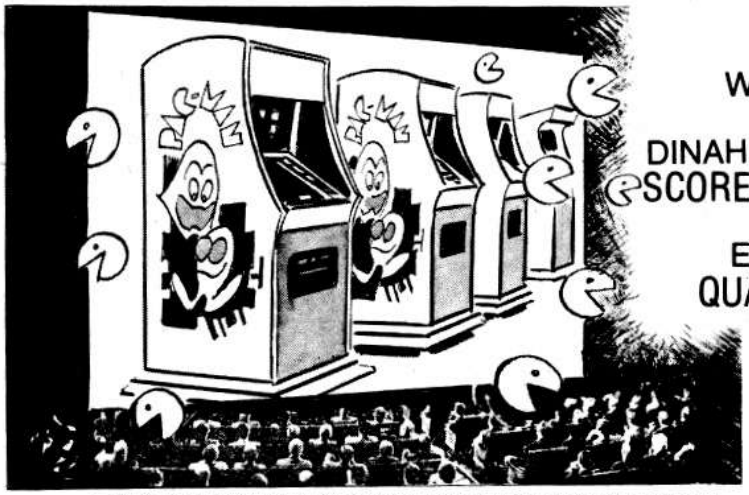
• YOUR HEART WILL STOP WHEN TEACHER PRESENTS THE EXAM THEY WEREN'T EXPECTING

ARTHUR TEACHER | TAMMY CRAMS | MATH DILLON | KAREN BLACKBOARD

IN GLORIOUS 3-D

ARCADE ANARCHY

SEE THE RUTHLESS VIDEO GAMES THAT GIVE NO QUARTER



BLIP WILSON

DINAH SCORE

SEAN COINERY

ETHEL QUARTERS

• *SEE THE DREADED PAC-MEN REACH OUT TO GOBBLE UP EVERYONE'S LAST PIECE OF* ***CHANGE***

• *SEE THE FIENDISH TRUANT OFFICER REACH OUT TO GRAB UP GAME PLAYERS*

And, of course, the ultimate horror scenes in today's world take place in the very movie houses that screen the 3-D movies . . .

A REPULSIVE PICTURE

MOVIE MAD

THE FILM THAT'S GUARANTEED TO MAKE YOUR BLOOD RUN COLD
WITH THE MOST DIABOLICAL **3-D HORRORS** EVER BROUGHT TO THE SCREEN

• *SEE THE RANCID STOMACH WRENCHING POPCORN COME TUMBLING DOWN ON YOU*

• *SEE THE TORTUOUS TEPID TRICKLE FROM THE FOUNTAIN . . . DESIGNED TO MAKE YOU BUY SODA*

• *SEE THE CREEPY CLOD DISOBEY THE THEATER'S "NO SMOKING" RULE AND ASPHYXIATE NEARBY PATRONS*

• *SEE THE INHUMANELY LONG MOVIE LINES THAT STRETCH OUT TO SEE THIS NAUSEATING BOMB*

FILM SILVERS

ROBERTA FLIC

JOHNNY CASHIER

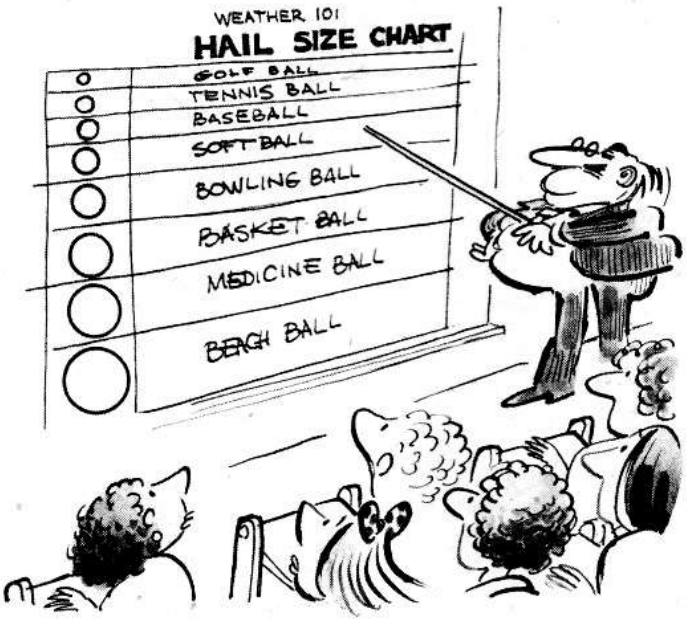
SNACK NOLTE

LOBBY VINTON

AISLE JOLSON

There are many things in modern American culture that we accept without question: strange customs, habits and traditions that we adhere to, often for no other reason than, "That's the way it's always been done." Well, it **hasn't** always been done that way! These sometimes senseless and counterproductive conventions must have originated with **someone.** So, what **we** want to know is . . .

WHO IN THE WORLD DECIDED THAT...?



HAILSTONES SHOULD ONLY BE MEASURED IN 'BALL-SIZE' UNITS?

IT'S NOT NICE FOR HUMANS TO SMELL LIKE HUMANS?

WE SHOULD NAME HURRICANES BUT NOT, SAY, EARTHQUAKES OR FLOODS?

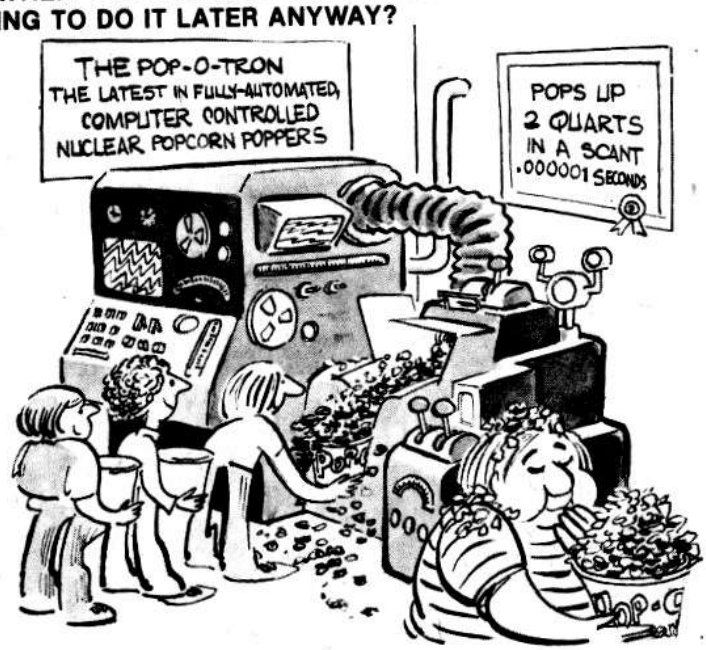
THE FEMALE FACE WAS SO UNSIGHTLY IT HAD TO BE PAINTED OVER?

IT WAS A GOOD IDEA TO ROLL UP DRIED LEAVES, SET THEM ON FIRE AND BREATHE IN THEIR SMOKE?

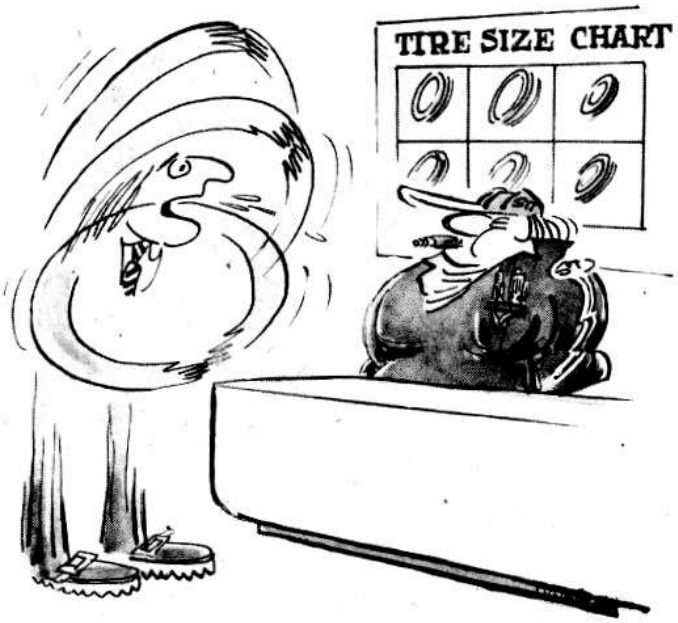
TEETH HAVE TO "SPARKLE?"

WE SHOULD HAVE TO COMPACT OUR OWN TRASH WHEN THE GARBAGE COLLECTION TRUCK IS GOING TO DO IT LATER ANYWAY?

THE LENGTH OF EVERYTHING ON TV HAS TO BE IN EXACT MULTIPLES OF 30 MINUTES?



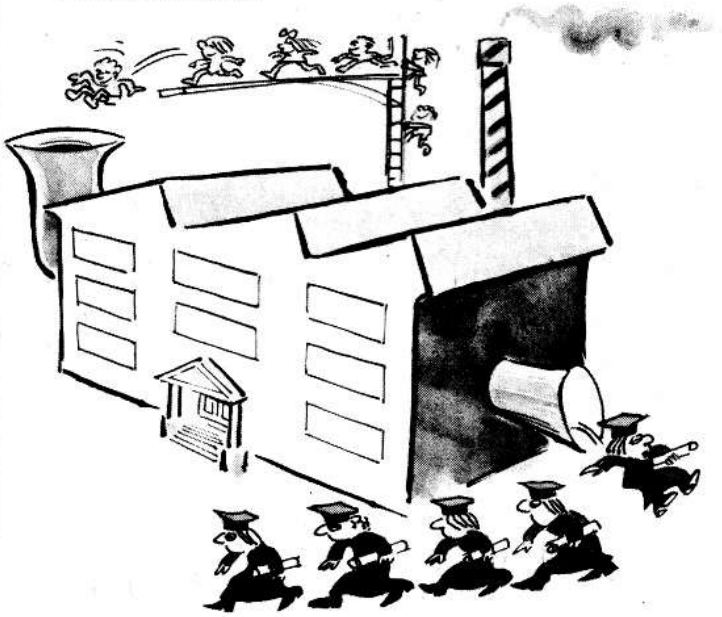
WE SHOULD USE MORE OF OUR TECHNOLOGICAL KNOW-HOW FINDING NEW WAYS TO POP POPCORN THAN FIGHTING DISEASE?



AUTOMOBILE TIRES HAD TO COME IN 10 MILLION SIZES?

AMERICAN BUSINESS WOULD COLLAPSE IF MEN DIDN'T COVER THEIR NECKS AND WEAR "DECORATOR NOOSES?"

BREAKFAST CEREALS MUST MAKE NOISE?



EVERY KID IN THE COUNTRY SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST 12 YEARS OF SCHOOL?

WE REALLY NEED 5 MINUTES OF WEATHER IN A HALF-HOUR TV NEWSCAST?

SIMPLY PUTTING A DESIGNER'S NAME ON A PAIR OF $15 JEANS MAKES THEM WORTH $50?

BATTERIES NEVER BE INCLUDED?

GREAT MOMENTS IN HISTORY

On October 12, 985 A.D. The first "taffy pull" in recorded history takes place in Ankara, Turkey.

June 20, 1871. The first "panty raid" in American history takes place at the Girl Scout Leaders Convention at Montana's Camp Sunshine.

Montreal, Canada. At the 1912 indoor try-outs for the Montreal Expos, rookie Michelle LePlume impresses the coach with a perfect head-first slide, and thus becomes the first Canadian woman to break into professional baseball.

September 20, 1981. The first nuclear warhead to be totally undetectable by enemy radar is developed by the U.S. Air Force. (Only problem is that it has to be carried to its target.)

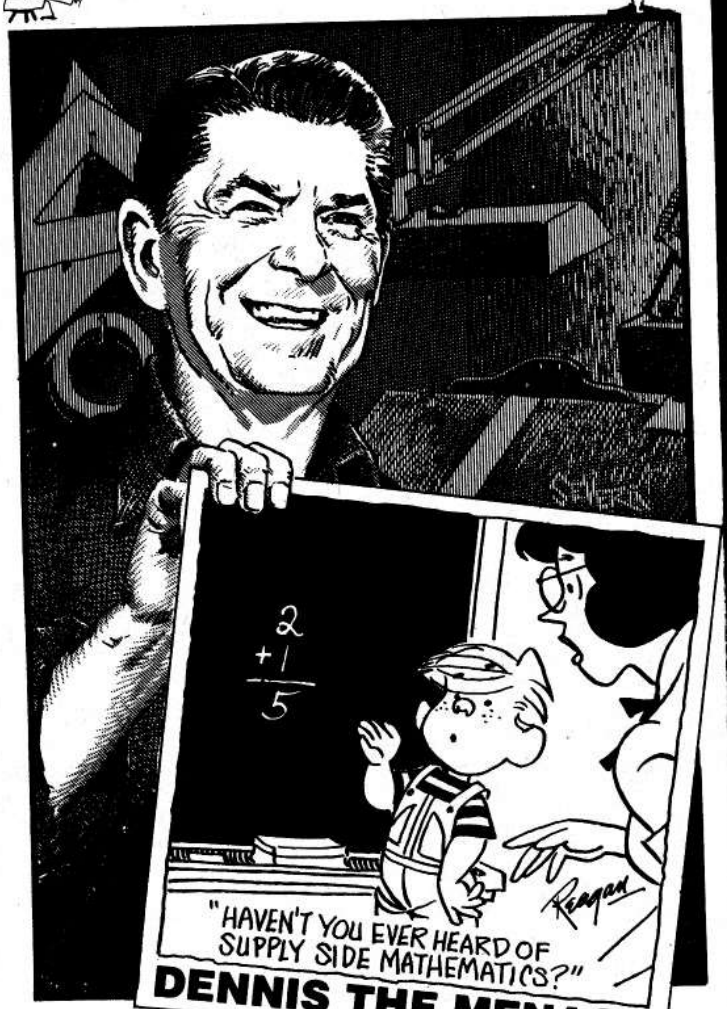
September 25, 1958. After agreeing to merge their 3 companies, the presidents of Elmer's Glue, Crazy Glue, and Perma-Bond joined hands in a gesture of goodwill—and have stuck together ever since (literally).

August 18, 1959. The first Mexican Muscleman competition is held in the mountains of Cancun, Mexico.

President Reagan has let it be known that he once thought of becoming a cartoonist. Had he stuck to his early ambition, today instead of Reaganomics we would have had Reagancomics. Here's our conception of . . .

WHAT TODAY'S STRIPS WOULD LOOK LIKE IF THEY WERE DRAWN BY RONALD REAGAN

CRACKED POLICE ARTIST

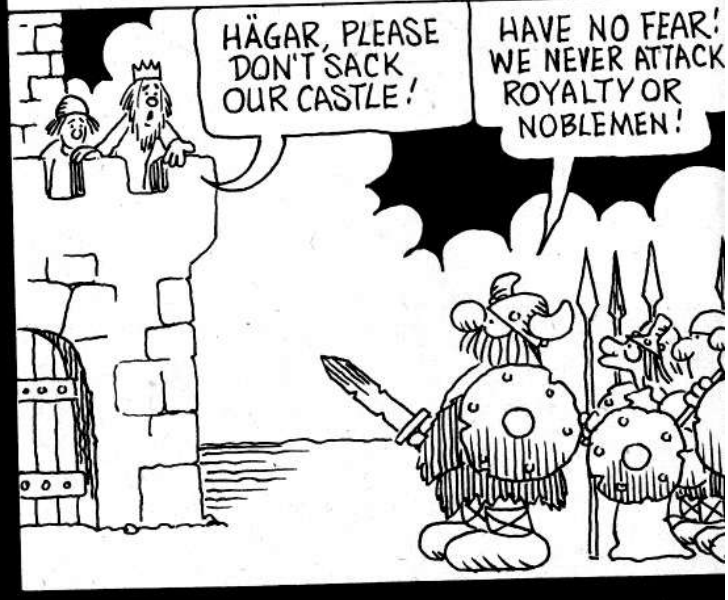


DENNIS THE MENACE

DICK TRACY

MARY WORTH

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



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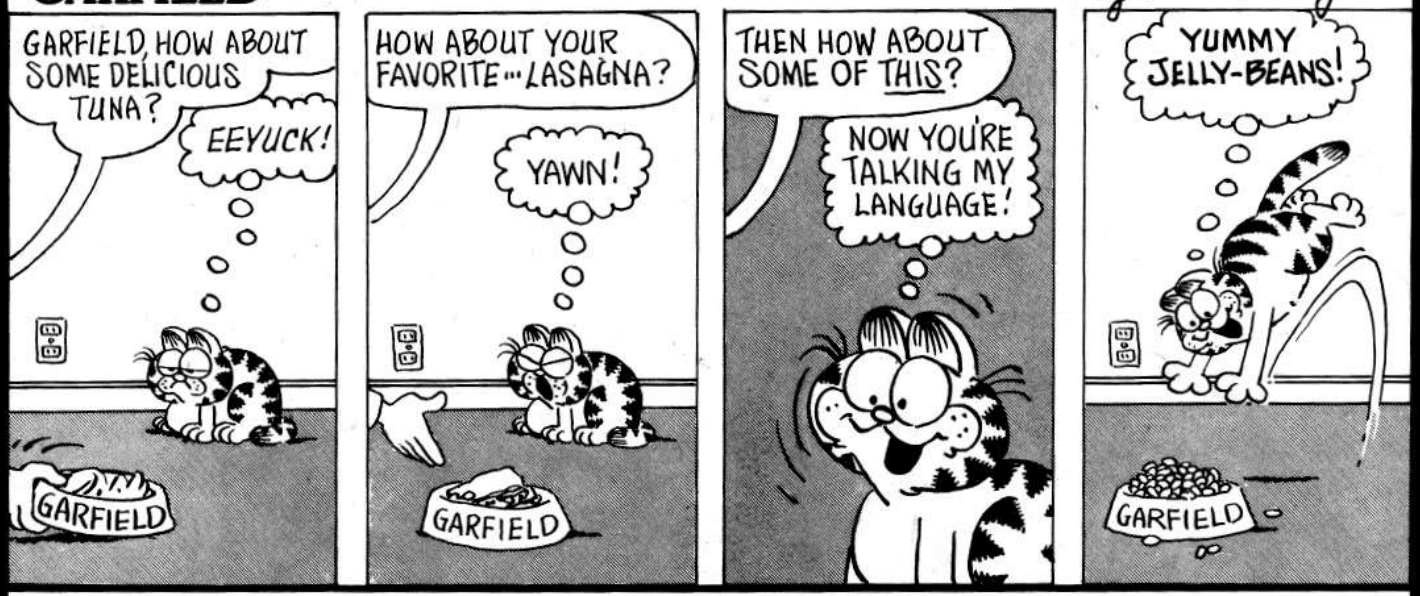

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE

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BEETLE BAILEY

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PEANUTS

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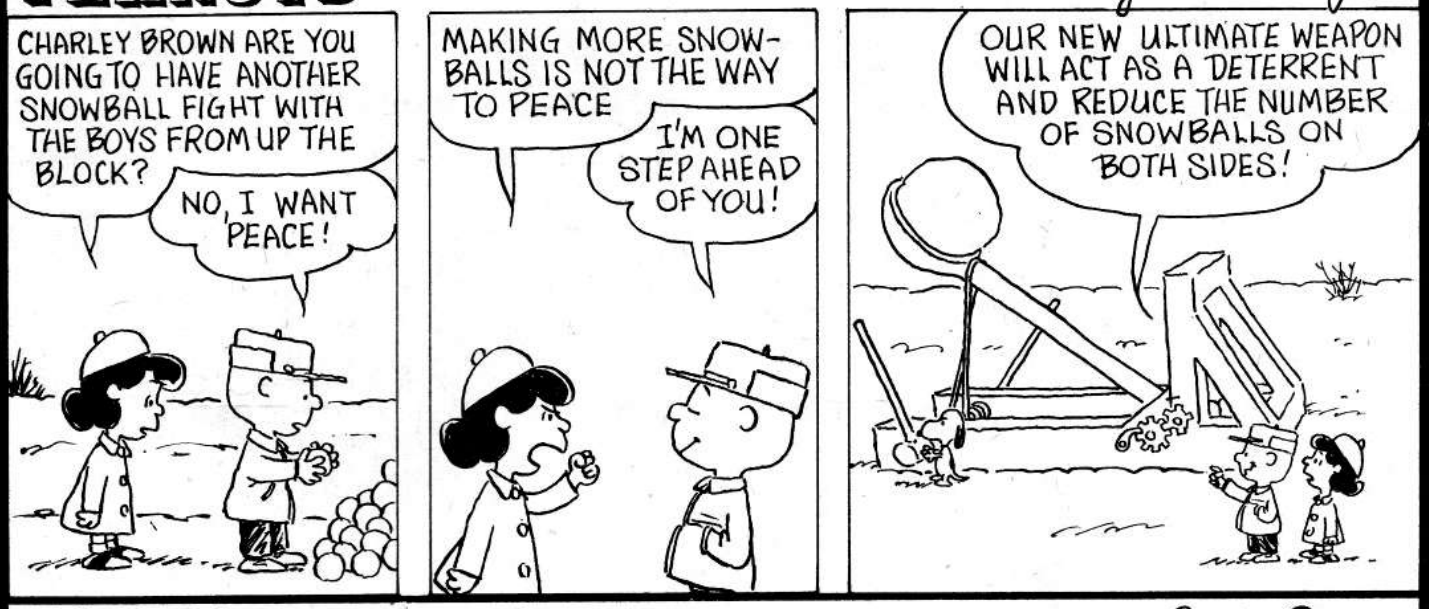

MOMMA

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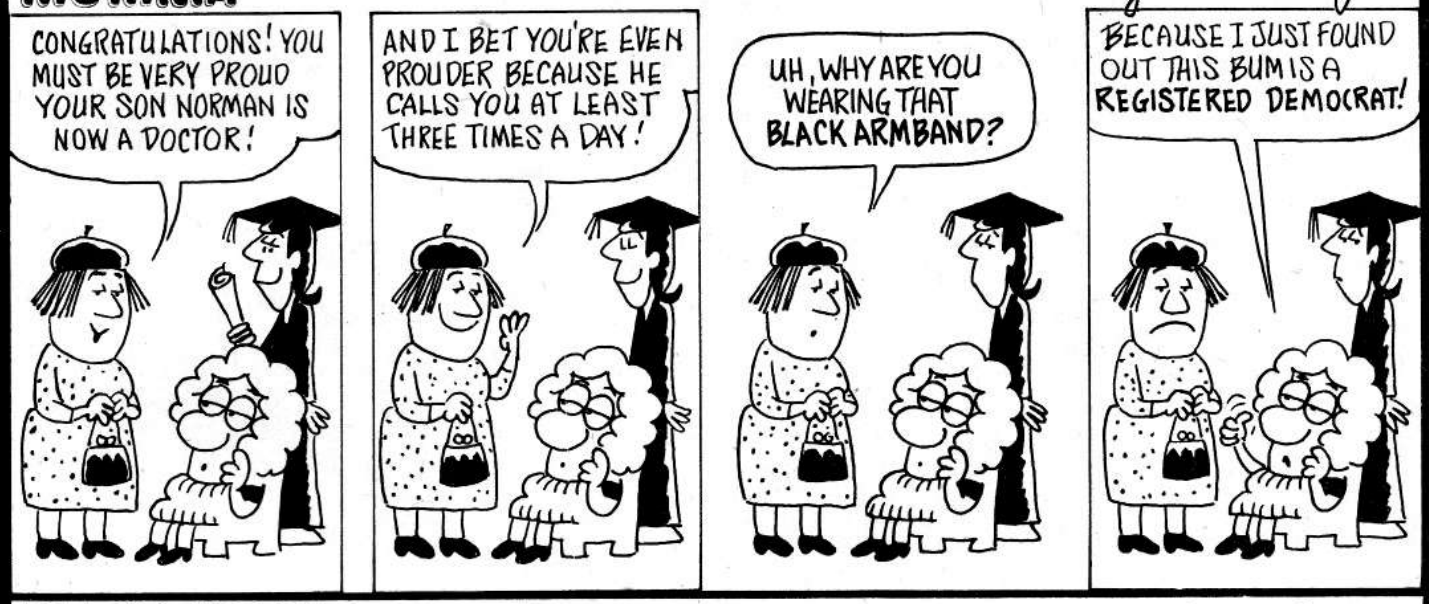


BLONDIE

by Ronald Reagan

SHUT-UPS

DON OREHEK

THIS POSTER

This is a highly classified, top secret, Government, A-1 priority poster that should only be read by those with proper identification.

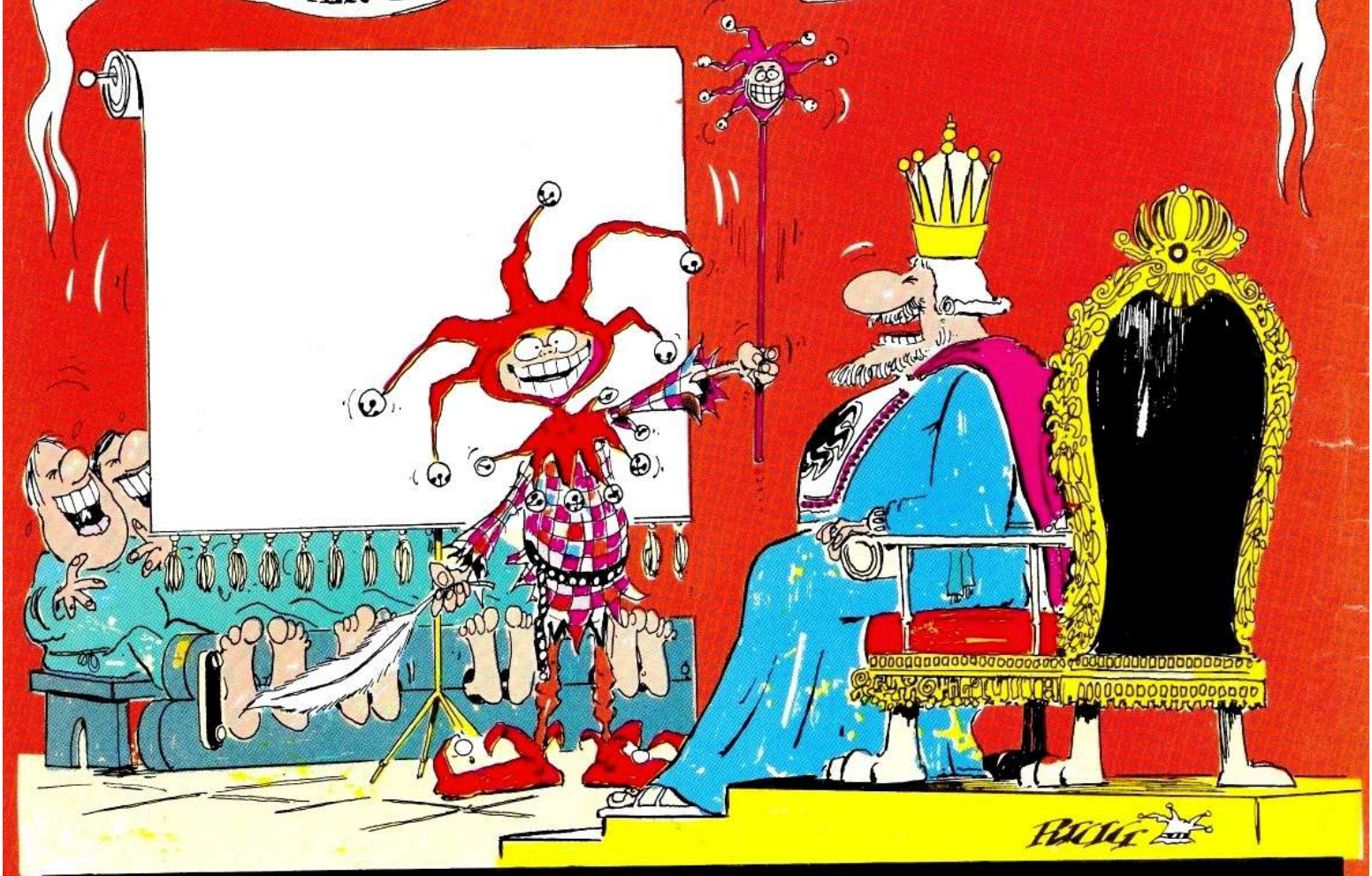
WARNING:

If you have gotten this far, it means you have read the above and are now subject to immediate arrest. Please report at once to your nearest police station and give full confession.

DON'T TRY COVER UP!

GREAT MOMENTS in COMEDY

WESTMINSTER APRIL 1, 1391 ENGLAND



TOUCHSTONE BECOMES THE FIRST JESTER TO USE CANNED LAUGHTER.